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THE WEATHER.

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MAYOR RECEIVES

Pleasant Occasion Inaugurated Yesterday.

MANY CALLED TO EXTEND THEIR GREETINGS.

The Affair was a Grand Success.

Yesterday was one of Mayor Bennett's happiest days.

He inaugurated a custom that should be continued in succeeding years.

It was a public reception intended to serve as a medium for becoming acquainted with the people whose servant he is. For a starter and considering the weather, it was a success. The attendance of school children was quite large. At first they were rather diffident about going in. One little fellow, after passing along the line, came out, saying, "Gee! Maybe he didn't squeeze your hands!"

The remark called the Mayor's attention to the children and noticing they were backward, he said, "Come, children; don't be shy. Come in and let us see you."

The ladies were there too, and took part in the happy function.

The Mayor and aldermen received in the Mayor's reception room. The magnificent painting of Washington was placed at the end of the room, facing the fireplace.

Samuel W. Preston was the oldest person at the reception. He is 85 years of age, and after paying his respects to the Mayor and aldermen, he proceeded to enjoy the beauties of the reception room.

Dr. Sullivan L. Ward came in and on being presented, handed the Mayor a toy hatchet as a memento of the occasion.

James W. Bennett, the second grandson of the Mayor, was among the visitors. W. A. Mack, brother of Ex-Mayor Mack, said it was the first time he had been inside City Hall, and before leaving he made a tour of the building.

The only ex-mayor in attendance was the Hon. Chas. D. Palmer. Chas. I. Hood and Ed. B. Conant, the Mayor's closest friends, shook his hand very cordially.

All the office-holders came in during the reception. John C. Wilson, who would like to be mayor, extended the glad hand.

Judge Hadley came in rather late, but had the pleasure of meeting the receiving party.

Among those who called were:

Chas. D. Palmer, John C. Wilson, Chas. W. Brigham, Dr. Moses G. Perker, Prentiss Webster, E. D. McVey, Chas. H. Conant, J. H. Donnelly, Jacob Barron, Mr. Drapeau, Mr. Wilder, Mr. Hildreth, John W. Crawford, H. R. Rice, W. F. Curtin, Dr. Sullivan L. Ward, Dr. M. L. Thompson, Miss Midgeley, Miss Mislette, Wm. Mack, Mrs. Rivet, Chas. S. Littlefield, Miss Menard, Allen Hodge, Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Coburn, Mr. Mackey of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Paige, C. I. Hood, E. B. Conant, S. Foster Whipple, Lawrence Cummings, G. C. Brock, F. C. Wasley, C. W. Philbrick, Mrs. and Miss Dunn, City Solicitor Qua, C. H. Burnham, Robert G. Bartlett, Judge Lawton, Peter J. Brady, and many others.

DEATHS.

MacKENZIE—Murdock A. MacKenzie, aged 30 years, died Tuesday at St. John's hospital. He leaves a mother, three brothers, and a sister. The brothers are Kenneth J. MacKenzie of this city, John and Alexander of Sidney, N. S., and the sister, Anabelle, also resides in Sidney. The funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at the Edson cemetery chapel. Friends invited.

KENT—Mrs. Emma Kent, wife of Charles Kent, died early Monday morning at her late home in Pelham, N. H., aged 33 years. Deceased had been ill nearly a year.

McGLYNN—Margaret Etta McGlynn, aged 21 years, died at the home of her mother on Reservoir street, Tuesday forenoon after a short illness of one week.

KORSAKI—John Korsaki, child of Charles and Katheryne Korsaki, died last night at heir home, 19 Davidson street. The funeral took place this afternoon and interment was in Catholic cemetery.

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IN WASHINGTON PARTIES

The Social Season Was Joyously Brought to a Close.

All the Leading Halls of the City Occupied—Spindle City Circle, C. of F.—Charity Party and Other Social Events.

Washington's birthday was very generally observed last night and particularly so because it wound up the social season before the opening of Lent. In every hall in the city, there was a gathering of merry dancers, making the most of the last hours of mirth and revelry before entering upon the penitential season. In Associate hall, Spindle City Circle, Companions of the Forest danced. In Odd Fellows' hall, the Washington Charity party was held; in Prescott hall, the Washington Associates; in Hibernian hall, the Merrimack corporation employes had a surprise party; in Mechanics' hall, a cotillion under the direction of Miss Cumnock was enjoyed; in Highland hall, the M. S. P. held forth; at Elvin's hall, on Dutton street, a masquerade party was held, while a large number of private parties were enjoyed.

Spindle City Circle, Companions of the Forest, has a fine gathering in Associate hall last evening, in observance of the national holiday.

There were present about 250 couples, including officers of the local circles and courts.

The only decoration was on the stage where Florist McManmon had tastefully arranged some tall palms and potted plants in a screen work in front of the orchestra. Hibbard's orchestra played a delightful concert program, which was enjoyed by those who occupied the seats in the gallery and took no part in the dancing that followed.

Refreshments were served at tables arranged at the sides of the hall. This department was in charge of Mrs. Kate McQuade, Mrs. Mary Roark, Mrs. Helen McCourt, Mrs. Nellie Burns, and a corps of assistants.

The George Washington table was surmounted by a portrait of "The Father of His Country," and was decked in the national colors. Miss Kate McNamee and a corps of assistants were in charge.

At the lemonade table, the young ladies under the direction of Miss Nellie McGrade, were kept very busy. Dancing was the principal entertainment and Hibbard's orchestra furnished music. The officers were:

General manager, Miss Lizzie C. McNamee; assistant, Miss Annie Campbell; floor director, Thomas F. Quinn; assistant, Miss Minnie Counihan; chief aid, James P. McAdams, M. D.; aids, Mamie Egan, James R. Sullivan, Michel Gilligan, Mrs. Annie Sullivan, Anna Tuttle, Katie McNamee, Annie Clunin, M. J. Hoar, William H. Harrigan, Katie Whalen, Nellie Sullivan, Mrs. Rosanna Bradley. Reception committee, Lilla O'Neil, Annie A. Cassidy, Mrs. Mary Rourke, Mrs. Helen McCort, Nellie McNulty, Mrs. McQuade, Mrs. Thornton, Mary Fyffe, Annie Beecher, Thomas M. Leeson, Mrs. Sarah Dunne, Annie Twohey, Katie Twohey, Nellie McGrade, Hannah Enright, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Crane, Lizzie McCarthy, Cassie Breen, Stephen Flanagan. Miss Rose Ward, secretary of the committee.

WARD TWO'S CHARITY.

The business men of ward two are not only charitable, but they undersand the art of conducting a highly successful and enjoyable concert and dance. Last evening they wound up Lent and aided the poor of the ward by holding one of the best entertainments of the night in Odd Fellows' temple, Middlesex street. Preceding the dancing there was a fine musical and literary entertainment, a feature of which was the excellent reading contributed by Miss Mary Gertrude McKenzie, one of Lowell's most accomplished young readers. Miss McKenzie recited with much force and artistic grace the difficult patriotic selection, "Above the Clouds," or "The Army of the Cumberland," reading it most admirably and delighting her large audience to many of whom she appeared for the first time. She was encored and responded with a brief comic selection. Miss McKenzie's future in the art is assured. Another particularly enjoyable feature was the singing of Miss Nano Gallagher, the talented contralto of St. Peter's church choir, whose charming voice was heard in two selections. Miss McCaffrey appeared to advantage in two beautiful selections. She has few superiors in singing Irish melodies with their true pathos.

The other numbers were contributed by David Martin, Michael Gorman and James E. Donnelly.

The proceeds amounted to about $175. The officers were: General manager, John J. Keefe; assistant general manager, Peter H. Savage; floor director, Daniel E. Hogan; assistant floor director, John J. Hunt; treasurer, John J. Lonergan; chief aid, Edward J. O'Donnell.

CERCLE D'YOUVILLE.

The members of Cercle D'Youville, Companions of the Forest, held a delightful Mardi Gras festival in old Odd Fellows' hall, last evening, about 200 young people being present. Before the dancing there was a musical program, a feature of which was the singing of Mr. Arthur Gelly, one of Lowell's most popular tenors. Mr. Gelly has just returned from a six months' vaudeville engagement in the leading New York and Pennsylvania theatres, and his number was enthusiastically received. There were songs by Miss Evelyn Baril, banjo selections, Miss Roy; piano duet, Mrs. Mayhew and Mrs. Lambert. At the conclusion of the entertainment, dancing was begun, to the music of Miller's orchestra.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATES.

The Washington Associates held their first grand assembly in Prescott hall last evening. The Associates are young men of Centralville, and their friends turned out last night to make the first assembly a grand success. Eighty couples joined in the dance and enjoyed the pretty figures in the various dances. The Cadet orchestra furnished music, and the officers were as follows: General manager, John J. Costello; assistant Joseph P. Costello; floor director, Thomas M. McGinn; assistant, William H. Morrissey; chairman reception committee, John H. Nolan.

THE BURKES.

A cake walk was a feature of the Washington's Birthday party at the Burkes' hall last night. It was conducted by the Burke Temperance Institute. The hall was crowded with the merry dancers and when the cakewalkers marched to the floor they were received with applause. Four couples did the walking, which was as good as any over seen here. The participants were Miss Morris and Mr. Hennessy, Charles Whalen and Miss McKenna, Wm. Kelleher and Frank O'Neil, the latter made up as a girl. Miss Etta Sharkey and William Gleason also participated. The judges had a hard time picking a winner and finally awarded the cake to Mr. Sharkey and Mr. Gleason.

ONION CLUB ENTERTAINS.

The Onion club with true patriotic spirit observed Washington's birthday at its apartments yesterday, afternoon and evening, entertaining many guests in its hospitable fashion. Refreshments were served with lavish hand and President Edward Comerford acted as toastmaster. President Comerford made an eloquent address of a patriotic nature during the afternoon that made a decided impression upon all who heard him. There is generally but little of a serious nature at an Onion club symposium, but President Comerford after making his usual remarks of welcome dwelt stirringly upon the significance of the great national holiday. He referred to Washington's remarkable achievements as a general when unaided by the counsel of generals old in experience, he successfully conducted one of the greatest wars in history and later launched America's grand ship of state upon its voyage through Time's boundless sea. His careful guidance, while at the helm making it possible for his successor to continue in the same onward direction, until today the republic which he made a reality, stands pre-eminent among the nations of the earth.

Frederick, the Great, sent him his sword, inscribed "From the oldest general in the world." It was because he

EDWARD J. COMERFORD, President "Onion" Club.

was great as a man that he was also great as a soldier and statesman. That he became President and not King was because he believed this government ought to be administered by the people.

President Comerford then referred in eloquent words to the lesson of the Maine disaster, quoting instances of admirable courage displayed by the survivors of the wreck, as an inspiration to the young men of today.

"True patriotism, he said, "endures all reverses, and disaster but fans the glowing spark into the warm flame and true patriotism is that which inspired all true Americans and other nations, may reflect upon the remarkable fact that as a result of the Maine disaster, there is a great rush of applications from young men wishing to join the navy." Mr. Comerford's remarks were received with continued applause.

The entertainment program was long and varied. A fine graphophone entertainment was given, Percy Miller directing. There were songs by William F. McCarthy, Jim Manning, T. F. Garvey and Harry Lynch; recitations by Cornelius Collins and Ed. Dunn; violin solos, Dennis Sullivan; comicalities, I. H. Sternberg; address, Dennis J. Conley; piano solos, John Saunders. At six o'clock a delightful supper was served, the delicacies having been prepared by Mr. Collins, the club's chef.

M. S. F. P. CLUB.

About 100 young couples assembled at the complimentary concert and ball tendered by the well known M.S.F.P. bowling club in Highland hall, last evening.

Mr. John Mellen, who was general manager, had the hall handsomely decorated with bunting, streamers and Chinese lanterns. In the center of the floor the club's monogram "M.S.F.P." was waxed.

The stage was banked with ferns and there was an abundance of potted plants.

Behind the gilded word "Welcome," Hadley's orchestra played tunefully to 18 numbers on the program. At 10 o'clock there was an intermission when Messrs James Callahan and Paul Normandy sang songs, which were repeatedly encored.

Dancing was then resumed till 12 o'clock when the Lenten waltz, dedicated to the Lenten season, was danced.

After the affair was over, the officers of the club with friends ate a midnight supper at Burbeck's restaurant.

The grand success of the affair was due to the efforts of the President, Ralph Simons; treasurer, Ledger Panton; general manager, John Mellen; floor director, W. H. Bell; assistant floor director, Joe Panton; aids, Henry Gaugette, W. A. Crombie; O. Wilson, C. E. Peck, C. H. Hover.

MISS CUMNOCK'S COTILLON.

At Mechanics Hall last evening, Miss Grace Cumnock gave another in a series of subscription cotillions. The hall had been beautifully decorated with the national colors and an abundance of flags were used in the decorations. About 50 couples were present, several being from out of town.

The first part of the cotillion, which was a George Washington party, was in charge of Mr. J. Tyler Stevens. The favors were silk flags, cherries, hatchets, fancy sashes, gilt wands with a bunch of flowers. These were donated by Mrs. Freeman Shedd. The first part was continued until 11 o'clock the American orchestra furnished the music, at which time the D. L. Page company served lunch in the upper hall.

After refreshments the second part of the cotillion began. This was called a Mardi Gras party and was in charge of Mr. Victor I. Cumnock of New York. The favors were from Sherry's in New York and consisted of confetti, papal rockets and tissue flowers.

The ladies who received were Mrs. A. G. Cumnock, Mrs. Willis Farrington, and Mrs. Jacob Rogers. The ladies in charge of the favor tables were Mrs. Freeman Shedd, Mrs. Willis Farrington, and Mrs. John Hart.

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY.

The friends and boarders of Mrs. Kate Clark, of 17 Merrimack corporation, tendered her a very pleasant surprise in Hibernian Hall to show her the esteem in which she is held by all who know her.

There were over 300 people present and when the festivities had got under way, Mr. Joseph Dallagher in a neat speech; presented Mrs. Clark with a beautiful white oak secretary and bookcase combined. Miss Alice McPadden, Mrs. Clark's grandaughter also presented her with a beautiful bouquet. Refreshments were served, and singing and dacing served to pass the hours merrily away. The hall was finely decorated and the Columbian orchestra furnished music. There was a large committee of arrangements, chief among the number being William Deeney, Owen Clark, James Finnegan, John McPadden, William T. Welsh and Miss Mary Hands.

RECEPTION AND DANCE.

One of the most enjoyable occasions incident to the observance of Washington's birthday, was held at the handsome residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Rice on Liberty street yesterday when Mrs. H. R. Rice and Miss Abbie Gates gate an at-home to a large circle of their friends and acquaintances. The reception began at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and continued until 6, during which time about 200 ladies and gentlemen called to partake of the hospitality.

The receiving party consisted of Mrs. H. R. Rice and Miss Abbie Gates, assisted by Mrs. W. A. Dickinson, Mrs. Ellewyn W. Lovejoy, Mrs. P. C. Gates and Mrs C. R Wood. At the serving of refreshments Mrs. J. M. Washburn and Mrs. Chester F. Smith poured and frappe was served by Miss Harriet White and Miss Edith Greaves.

At 6.30 o'clock the D. L. Page company served an excellent dinner and a pleasant hour was passed at the table.

In the evening, whist was enjoyed, there being five tables. Several musical selections were given, making the evening pass in an agreeable way. The winners of the prizes were:

First gentleman's and lady's—Mr. Prescott Gates and Mrs. E. W. Lovejoy; consolation, Dr. Eaton and Miss Edith Greaves.

Among the out-of-town guests present was Miss Edith Greaves of New Jersey.

FOR THE HUMANE SOCIETY.

The entertainment given at the home of Mrs. James E. Nesmith of Andover street yesterday afternoon was a brilliant social and financial success. The parents of the children participating came in carriages, and the long line of vehicles with groomed coachmen in

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Health Brought Back

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FUNERALS.

MORSE—The funeral of the late Charles T. Morse was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 320 Fairmount street. Rev. A. St. John Chambre officiated. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends of the deceased, including a delegation from Post 42, and the entire force of Mazzepa Hose 4, in command of Capt. J. Edward Burns. The fire department was also represented by delegations from every company. There was a profusion of floral offerings, among which were a pillow, inscribed "Father," from the family; standing arch, with clock, the dial pointing to 1.20, the hour at which he died, from the Lowell fire department; large pillow inscribed "1865-1898" from Mazeppa 4; pillow inscribed "Post 42, G. A. R.," from the post; pillow inscribed "Uncle," from Principal James Mellen of the Lincoln school; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Needham, Cambridge; pillow inscribed "Faithful" from Belvidere Woolen Manufacturing company; a large basket, James F. Lyons; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Heath; sprays from Hon. John J. Pickman; spray of pinks, Miss Ethel Closson; numerous other pieces and sprays from friends.

The following were the bearers: James Anderson, Seth Sherwood and Daniel Murphy of Post 42, Jeremiah Harrington, Fred F. Prescott and Benjamin F. Freeman of Mazeppa Hose 4. As the casket was borne from the house to the hearse the Lowell Military Band played "The Vacant Chair." Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

Colonel Dimon displayed the United States flag at half mast over his residence in honor of his neighbor and comrade in arms.

EMERY—The funeral services of Mary F. Emery were held Tuesday afternoon at her late home on Branch street, Rev. S. T. Ford officiating. H. L. Tibbetts had charge of the arrangements and the remains were entombed in the Edson cemetery tomb.

INGALLS—The funeral services of the late Edward Morris Ingalls were held Tuesday afternoon at the residence of his grandfather, Thomas Ingalls, 31 West Fourth street. The services were in charge of Rev. H. W. O. Millington, who gave a touching address praising the many excellent qualities which the deceased had possessed. There was singing by Miss Edith Morris and Mrs. Effie Davis. A large number of floral tributes were received, among them being a basket from the Mystery club, of which the deceased was a member. The bearers were Messrs. Arthur Whitney, George Puffer, Arthur Richardson, John MacKenzie, James Greig and Richard Cling. Interment was in the Edson cemetery, Undertaker Currier in charge.

VARNEY—The funeral services of Mrs. Ruth E. Varney were held at her late home, 20 Ash street, yesterday afternoon, there being a large attendance of friends and neighbors. The services were conducted by Rev. C. E. Fisher of the First Universalist church of which the deceased had been a member for many years and the founder of its Sunday school. A Spiritualist speaker, Mrs. Agnes H. Banfield of this city, also spoke, spiritualism being the religious faith of Mrs. Varney. There were beautiful floral tributes from friends and relatives. The bearers were John D. Dow, Wm. P. Farrington, Edwin Hapgood, and Alden B. Frazier. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Undertaker Currier had charge.

POLICE COURT.

One drunk.

Duncan McNabb was fined $10 for assault and battery.

Jason Connell charged with being a stubborn child, was given some sound advice by Judge Hadley and allowed to go, upon his promise to reform.

Margaret Monke, who was found guilty of larceny of wearing appearel was sent to jail for five months.

Lewis D. Batchelder, who when defending a case of assault upon his daughter, said that there was doubts as to the latter's paternity, will probably find himself in a peck of trouble in the near future as his family history is being investigated and he will probably be charged with illicit co-habitation. The case was continued until tomorrow.

John Thompson and Celia O'Brien charged with illicit co-habitation, were continued till tomorrow.

Fine job printing done at this office.

A Hundred Of Them

Boys' Suits carried over from last spring.

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Tonight, the annual ball of the Mechanic Phalanx will be held at the Armory. There will be a large number of military guests from out-of-town. It is the first grand military ball held here for years. The Brigadier General of Rhode Island, with some of the highest military officials in this state will be present. Col. Parker is chairman of the reception committee and Capt. Greig is the general manager.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES.

This is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. In all the Catholic churches this morning special service was held and the ashes were blessed and distributed. Tonight the service will consist of vespers, sermon and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

At St. Anne's Episcopal church the service commenced at 10 o'clock and consisted of morning prayer, litany, penitential office, sermon and Holy Communion. This evening there will be prayer and a sermon at 7.30.

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TWENTY MEN PERISH AT SEA

Sad and Silent Evidence of Another Dreadful Marine Disaster.

A Man and a Girl in Mizzen Chains—A British Vessel Destroyed in the Marine Graveyard at Nantucket—Salem Schooner Sunk.

Boston, Feb. 23.—There is scarcely a doubt that the British ship Asia, commanded by Captain G. N. Dakin, and bound from Manila for this port, was wrecked somewhere in the vicinity of Nantucket during the gales of the past few days and that her 20 men have perished. This conclusion is not only borne out by wreckage, consisting of the stern of a boat with "Asia" painted on it, yards and other materials which was cast up by the sea at Monomoy, but Captain Asa Haley of this city telephoned from Woods Hole that while the tugboat E. V. McCaulley was steaming out to the barge Excelsior, which lies sunk on Handkerchief shoal, he saw positive evidence of the wreck of a large square rigged vessel and recovered two bodies from a portion of the dismantled hulk.

Captain Haley stated that while near the Handkerchief lightship the tug passed through a large amount of wreckage, including bales of hemp, broken spars and broken ship's timbers. Drifting in the midst of this mass was a portion of the wreck on which the bodies were lashed. As the tug approached it was discovered that a man and a girl apparently 10 or 12 years old were fast in the mizzen chains. The tug was quickly headed in the direction of the wreck and the crew released the bodies, and the tug immediately returned to Woods Hole, where the news was sent to this city. The starboard quarter of the vessel was all that remained intact.

The man's body was hanging to the mizzen rigging with the child in his arms. He had apparently made frantic efforts to save the little one when the seas overwhelmed them. The body was not that of Captain Dakin, judging from a master's certificate found in the clothing of the dead man. This certificate was issued at Weymouth, Nova Scotia, to John Cook, and gave the year of the man's birth as 1843. The man was light complexion and slightly bald. The little girl was also of light complexion and bore a striking resemblance to the man. As the tug was ordered away from Woods Hole the bodies were later taken ashore and given in the keeping of some of the residents to await the medical examiner.

Wreckage of a light character, including part of a deckhouse, evidently from a big foreign vessel, came ashore in Chatham, but the most important discovery was the stern of a ship's boat with the words, "Asia of St. John," painted on it. Photographs of a man, woman and child were also picked up, as well as some vessel's stores. It is thought that the Asia was working in from the seaward when she struck the shoals and that she went to pieces in the storm. No bodies have come ashore, but there may be some when the wind changes to off shore.

STRUCK AND SUNK.

Salem, Mass., Feb. 23.—The little coasting schooner Mollie Phillips, Captain John Nutter of Millbridge, Me., was struck and sunk by an unknown schooner four miles southeast of Baker's Island. The schooner was laden with granite from Rockport, Me., to Cambridgeport. Captain Nutter and his brother left the sinking schooner in a small boat and landed on Baker's island about 1 o'clock Sunday morning. The schooner was built at Millbridge, Me., 12 years ago and registered 41 tons net. She was owned by M. C. Wallace of Millbridge.

ATTEMPT TO KILL

A Rhode Island Farmer Last Night.

A BULLET SENT INTO HIS HOUSE.

Whizzed Within an Inch of His Head.

Woonsocket, R. I., Feb. 23.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to murder Jacob Nightingale, a farmer living on the Cumberland road four miles from this city. Mr. Nightingale, who is 70 years old and lives alone, was in the kitchen replenishing the fire when a pistol bullet came through a window. The bullet passed within an inch of his head.

MEN SCALDED FATALLY.

Fitchburg, Mass., Feb. 23.—John L. Jones and Felician Leblanc of Leominster died at the Burbank hospital as the result of a scalding and inhaling steam by the blowing out of a plug in a boiler used in harvesting ice at a pond in South Gardner. Lucien Farrar and G. H. Lawrence, also of Leominster, are in the hospital seriously scalded, through the same agency. The men were sleeping in a loft over the boiler.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The mule spinners of Lewiston and Auburn, Me., have voted not to take any part in a general strike.

Senator White of California has stated that owing to business reasons he will not be a candidate for re-election.

C. H. Hughes, superintendent of the county infirmary, has been arrested as one of the lynchers in Versailles, Ind.

Frank Lawlor, 22 years old, while insane from delirium tremens jumped from a window in Providence and was instantly killed.

Two bodies supposed to be those of sailors who were on the Marcellus of Searsport, Me., which was wrecked off Dolliver's neck during the blizzard of Feb. 5, were discovered on the beach at Gloucester, Mass., yesterday.

Peter Welch, who was shot Feb. 5 by Walter Y. Marsh at the farm of E. W. Fiske in Cumberland, R. I., is dead. This ending of the case was sudden and almost unexpected, and the exact cause cannot be definitely stated until the autopsy is held.

The marriage of Marion Olive Hanson and Ignatius Donnelly was solemnized yesterday in the Norwegian Methodist church at Minneapolis in the presence of about 600 persons. Outside a vast concourse gathered to catch glimpses of the pretty young bride and the distinguished groom.

It is reported that the law court of Maine has decided for the plaintiffs in the cases against the town of Foxcroft in which the invalid notes of its embezzling treasurer, Judge Hale, were involved. This forces the town to shoulder the debt of $157,000, which will almost bankrupt it.

Sir James Winter, the premier, moved in the Newfoundland legislature yesterday a series of resolutions favoring the transfer of the colony's railway system, telegraphs, coal areas, docks and a large section of land in the interior to a contractor who is pledged to a large development of the timber and mineral wealth of the island. Public opinion generally favors the project.

POLO GAMES.

In Salem—Pawtuckets, 10; Salems, 6.
In Fall River—Fall Rivers, 12; Providences, 6.
In New Haven—New Havens, 11; Waterburys, 5.
In Meriden—New Britains, 6; Meridens, 4.
In Hartford—Hartfords, 7; Wallingfords, 2.

CONNECTICUT'S BLIZZARD.

Winsted, Conn., Feb. 23.—The ice storm which has been raging in this section of the state for the past three days progressed last night with little abatement. Much of the natural beauty of Winsted is gone, while the fruit crops and maple sugar industry have suffered considerable injury. Communication by wire with outside points remains entirely cut off. Gangs of linemen are working night and day, but making comparatively little headway.

POLICE BOARD.

OFFICER McQUADE REDUCED TO THE RANKS.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Police, Tuesday afternoon, it was voted that the office of inspector of minor licenses be discontinued and the superintendent was instructed to place Officer McQuade on a regular beat.

It was ordered that on and after March 1st next, all money for minor licenses be paid into the city treasury before licenses are granted by the clerk of the police board.

The license of Grace McDonald, common victualler at No. 23 Kirk street, was revoked, and a new license was granted her at No. 33 John street.

Harriet A. Beard was granted a common victualler's license at No. 118 Appleton street.

Edward Farrell was appointed a special policeman for the Burkes' Temperance Institute on Middle street.

Robinson and Blake asked for a license at the Bijou theatre, Merrimack street, and the petition was referred to the superintendent of police for investigation.

The women of the Parish Aid society of St. John's church gave a turkey supper last night.

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The ladies in attendance, however, are accustomed to this, and saw that every one was well taken care of.

The most of these people said they were glad that they came; when they left they had learned a great deal worth learning. They had seen something worth coming to see. Were you one of them? If not, we want to say right now, for your benefit as well as for those who failed to see our last announcement, that there are but a few days left for the tardy ones. The time of the exhibition is limited; there are many hundreds of people waiting elsewhere to see it. This is positively the last week here, and we know full well there are lots of people yet who want to see it and expect to see it, but are putting it off from day to day until something happens that will prevent them from coming at all. These people will probably never realize how much they have missed until their thinning locks and falling hair leaves them with disfiguring, humiliating baldness as a penalty for their neglect, while their more careful brothers and sisters will have profited by the information gained at this exhibition and can glory in a wealth of beautiful, luxuriant hair.

Don't put it off until tomorrow, come today. Why can't you spend a few minutes from your housework or business for your own benefit? You may never have the chance again. Why not accept it now? Come by all means, and in future years you will thank us for the invitation.

FR. BURKE'S TABLE

Announcement of the Various Awards Made.

SOME BEAUTIFUL GIFTS WERE DISPOSED OF.

The Winners and Their Articles.

The awards on Fr. Burke's table at the recent bazaar in aid of the Working Girls' Home has been announced and will be found below:

Fr. Burke takes this opportunity to thank all those who in any way assisted in the success of his table at the recent fair. A major part of the credit must be attributed to the loyal work and self-sacrificing endeavors of Mrs. Thomas Mahoney and Miss Catherine O'Connor, who so faithfully superintended their respective tables. His consideration is also extended to their valued assistants, the Children of Mary, to whom he is much indebted, as well as to all those who so nobly responded to the call of duty.

Appended will be found the lucky subscribers to the various articles:

Margaret Corson, 595 Central street, willow rocker; B. Kane, 243 Worthen street, sofa pillow; Mrs. Thomas Mahoney, Butterfield street, sofa pillow; Margaret Shinkwin, 21 Cabot street, crayon portrait of Fr. Gleason; Mary Harrington, 32 Lewis street, parlor lamp; Thomas Kelley, 139 Colburn street, musical album; Fr. Shaw, North Chelmsford, crayon of Fr. Shaw; Mary O'Connell, 131 Colburn street; rocker Ethel Enright, Fletcher street, crayon of Fr. O'Brien; Katy Gorman, 110 Lewis street, ladies' hat; Nellie Burns, 15 Willie avenue, clock; Sadie Waugh, 138 Colburn street, lady's hat; Nora Lynch, 135 Cross street, viaticum case; Katy Dixon, Suffolk street; crayon of Fr. Burke; Dollie Aspinwall, 57 Jefferson street, chest of tea; Charles Pevey, 63 Concord street, lamp; Annabella Sullivan, 49 Walnut street, dinner set; Mary Glynn, Cross street, oil painting; Mrs. Gray, 54 Lewis street, cake basket; Edwin Clark, Troy, N. Y., coffee pot.

Articles may be obtained at the parochial residence.

UNIONS GROWING

Barbers and Knitters Organized Last Night.

LOCKED OUT EMPLOYERS ARE SEEKING AID.

Brewery Unions Donate to New Bedford.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Journeymen Barbers was held in the Arlington Hotel yesterday afternoon when organization of the new union was perfected. Application cards were distributed among those present and each man who was present is expected to bring in another one at the next meeting.

John T. Powers was unanimously elected president and a committee was appointed to bring in a list of other officers to be voted upon at the next meeting.

It was unanimously voted to support the bill for the licensing of barbers now pending in the general court. Copies of the bill were distributed among the members present and more may be obtained from Mr. Powers at 357 Central street.

Following is the preamble to the constitution of the union, showing its objects:

Whereas, The history of the journeymen barbers throughout the country has been but the record of constant struggle against oppression; and

Whereas, Their trouble has arisen almost entirely from lack of unity and confidence in each other as workers, and misunderstanding the true cause of oppression; and

Whereas, Unity guided by intelligence is a source of strength that can withstand all attacks and that without intelligent organization, we cannot acquire the discipline which enables us to act together, concentrate our strength, and direct our efforts toward the desired end, and also acquire the patience that enables us to wait for the results;

Therefore, For the purpose of promoting such unity of sentiment and action among the journeymen barbers of America, and joining them closer together for mutual protection, we have organized the Journeymen Barbers' International Union of America.

BREWERS HELP NEW BEDFORD.

Local Union 124, Brewery Workers, held a well attended meeting at Spinners' hall last evening, at which they were addressed by William Sanders of the Spinners' union in behalf of the New Bedford strikers. Mr. Sanders' eloquence bore fruit, for at the close of his remarks it was voted to donate $25 for this purpose and Mr. Sanders was presented with a check for the same before he left the hall. This is in addition to $17 presented Mr. Sanders by brewery employes last week.

The union also voted to affiliate with Boston Union 34, and hereafter there will be no local union. President August Popp was in the chair.

THE KNITTERS ORGANIZE.

In response to a call sent out recently, the Knitters in all the hosieries turned out in large numbers last evening and were temporarily organized. Mr. Fred Daigle of the Spinners' union took them in charge. Addresses were made by prominent labor men upon the value of organization. They will meet again next Tuesday evening.

BIDDEFORD AFTER MONEY.

Messrs. M. F. McCarthy and J. Fields of the Biddeford Spinners' union arrived in the city yesterday, and will remain here until Saturday in the interest of the Biddeford Spinners who are locked out by reason of the strike of the slasher tenders and web-drawers. They will attend the meeting of the Spinners' union Friday night and have just returned from Dover, N. H., where they collected $150 and they have also received promise of substantial support from Lawrence.

Although the spinners did not go out on strike at Biddeford since they have been locked out, they have voted not to return to work until the 10 per cent. reduction is restored. They say that they will accept no compromise.

MEMBERSHIP INCREASED.

The Carders' Pickers' and Ring Spinners' union held its weekly meeting at Spinners' hall last evening and increased its membership by 15. Although no official report of the ball recently held in aid of the New Bedford strikers has yet been submitted, there is no doubt that it has netted a substantial sum.

SURPRISE PARTY.

A number of friends and shop mates of John J. Nichols called upon him at his home on Fulton avenue, Monday evening and presented him with a purse of money. The presentation was made by Miss E. White in behalf of the gathering and Mr. Nichols responded, thanking them for their thoughtfulness. Vocal and instrumental music was rendered and a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all.

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A WHIST PARTY.

Last evening, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Gilbride entertained a number of their friends at their residence, 195 Cross street, in a very pleasing manner. The principal part of the entertainment was progressive whist and as the guests assembled, each was presented with a neat souvenir, consisting of a buttonhole bouquet on which was suspended a long red, white and blue ribbon, which served as a counter for each of the players. As the game progressed and the points won by the players, each was presented with a gold star which was attached to the ribbon. At the end of the playing, the stars attached would designate the number of points won. Last evening, the prize winners were Miss Lyons of Winchester and Mr. Dennis Devine. Th souvenirs were very appropriate and patriotic. During the playing, the phonograph was set in motion and reeled off many selections and witty sayings greatly to the amusement of the guests. After whist, refreshments were served and the balance of the evening was passed with an impromptu concert. There were many solos and choruses of patriotic songs. A novel feature was the cake walk, in which Mrs. John A. O'Hearn excelled. The instrumental performance of the evening was by Mrs. D. J. Devine and Miss Tilly Delaney. The party broke up about midnight.

PLEASANT MUSICALE.

A musicale was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. MacPhie, 5 Fernald street, by Miss Mary A. Adams, music teacher. There was a large company present and Miss Adams' pupils did splendidly.

Those who took part in the program were: Mary A. Adams, Daniel Gleason, Dena Le Voy, Clara Beaudette, Elmore MacPhie, Sadie Dean, Eleanor Watson, Lilla Piper, Lillian Goodwin, Mertie Bachelder, Vina Watson.

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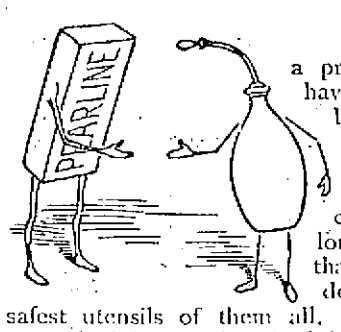

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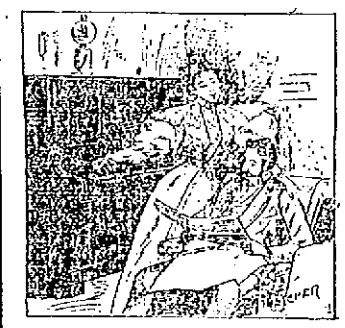

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IN WASHINGTON PARTIES

(Continued.)

waiting gave to the affair an air of social eclat. The entertainment was given by the children and the proceeds will be devoted to the interests of the Humane society.

The title of the play, in which the youngsters rendered themselves famous, was "Mrs. Peck's Pudding," and let it be said that it was well named, for the poor woman had a peck of trouble in getting the ingredients to make it.

Miss Hildreth Nesmith took the part of Mrs. Peck and she posed as the poor widow in a manner that charmed the audience with her skill.

The Misses Hildreth Nesmith, Eleanor Palmer, Louise and Rita Talbot, Harriet and Isabelle Nesmith and Rebecca Sherman, and Masters Jackson Palmer, Horace Coburn, Leonard Huntress, Gordon White and Fisher Nesmith had charge of and took active part in the entertainment. Too much credit cannot be given the young people for the success of their efforts.

Besides the entertainment there were sales booths, which were presided over by the following boys and girls:

Fancy table—Juliette Huntress, Ruth Wilder, Rebecca Sherman and Horace Coburn.

Candy table—Louise Talbot, Harriet Nesmith and Florence Nesmith.

Paper table—Isabelle Nesmith and Richard Greenhalge.

Cake table—Rita Talbot and Eleanor Palmer.

AT CENTRE CHURCH.

The ladies of the Centre Congregational church in Dracut gave a successful entertainment and sale last night.

Presiding over the sales tables in the upper room were the following: Candy table—Albert Fox, chairman; Miss Minnie Snow; apron table—Mrs. R. D. Coburn, chairman; Mrs. Eliot Morgan, Mrs. T. W. Hill, Miss Rose E. Peabody; fancy table—Mrs. John Peabody, chairman; Mrs. Calvin Richardson, Mrs. E. C. Sargent, Mrs. Wm. Oatley, Miss Ermia Barnum.

MASQUERADE PARTY.

Mr. William F. Elvin, the teacher of dancing, held an enjoyable masquerade party at his academy on Dutton street last evening. There were about fifty couples present and the costumes were quite unique. The march was led by Mr. Charles S. O'Reagan as "A Gay Old Sport," and Mrs. O'Reagan as "June." The first half of the order was danced before the masks were removed, creating many perplexing incidents, and lots of fun for the participants. The affair was quite successful. Mrs. Elvin was general manager and Mrs. O'Reagan floor director.

THE LOTUS CLUB

The Lotus club held its first grand minstrel performance at its club rooms last night and a fine program was carried out under the direction of "Tommy" McDermott.

DR. PARKER

ENTERTAINED OLD MIDDLESEX CHAPTER, S. A. R.

Dr. Moses G. Parker entertained the Old Middlesex Chapter, S. A. R., last evening.

The guests of the evening were Dr. Francis H. Brown of Boston, state vice president, and Mayor James W. Bennett.

At a brief business session following the dinner four new members were admitted. Charles William Fletcher, Robert Little Reed, Joseph Bradley Varnum Coburn, and Clarence Gilman Coburn. The following committees were announced: Historical papers, Prentiss Webster, Rev. Wilson Waters, Francis N. Chase, George H. Stevens and William A. Reade; ancestral papers, Charles H. Conant, James F. Savage, Fred A. Estes, Burton H. Wiggin, Harvey B. Greene.

George H. Marston and Fred A. Estes gave the ancestral papers of the evening. George H. Stevens and Wm. A. Reade spoke upon the life of Washington. The other speakers were Solon W. Stevens, Charles H. Conant, Prentiss Webster, and Judge Samuel P. Hadley. The exercises closed with the singing of "America."

AGAIN NO SCHOOL.

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On Saturday morning at half-past 10 o'clock, rain or shine, the entire stock of new upright pianos belonging to J. A. Green, Fiske Block, 223 Central street, will be closed out at absolute sale by J. E. Conant & Co., auctioneers. The pianos are all high grade and by standard makers: Hallett & Davis, Hughes & Son, "The Majestic," by the Spies company and Gibson. The terms will be cash; or half cash at sale, the balance secured and payable in 30 days; a roll-top desk, a show case, also piano scarfs, stools and other similar articles are to be sold. All will be on exhibition during the day and evening, Friday.

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IS NOW MURDER

Providence Assault Case Now Changed

INTO MURDER BY ONE OF VICTIM'S DEATH.

Walter Marsh, the Assailant Under Arrest.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Providence, Feb. 22.—Peter Welsh, who was shot on Feb 5, by William Marsh is dead. His death was sudden and unexpected as it was thought he would recover. The men were chums and the affair is veiled in mystery. Marsh was held for assault with intent to kill, but the charge will be changed to murder. He has steadily maintained that he shot Welsh in self defense.

HEIRS SQUABBLE

Over the Estate of Francis Newton.

WHO WITH HIS FAMILY WAS MURDERED.

Interesting Question of Inheritance to Decide.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Brookfield, Mass., Feb. 22.—The three administrators of the estate of the late Francis D. Newton who with his wife and adopted child were murdered last month met today to appraise the property and make arrangements for a sale by auction. The question of inheritance is to be decided. There is much interest in the case, as the heirs of each victim claim the rights. It is believed that Mr. Newton was killed first, then his wife, and then the little girl. In this case the relatives of the girl are legal heirs.

BOLD HOLD-UP,

IN BACK BAY DISTRICT OF BOSTON, SUNDAY.

Boston, Feb. 22.—There was a bold hold-up in the heart of the Back Bay district Sunday evening, the facts of which only came to the attention of the police last night.

Early last night, Miss E. M. Tremholf of 86 Marlboro street reported to the police of the Back Bay division that on Sunday night at 7.45 o'clock, on Berkley street, between Commonwealth avenue and Newbury street she was accosted by a man who, pointing a revolver directly into her face, demanded her money, accompanying the demand with threats of violence if it was not immediately complied with.

Miss Tremholf had no money with her at the time and she so informed her assailant, who, after an instant's hesitation, accepted her statement and left her to proceed unharmed.

Miss Tremholf describes the would-be highway robber as about 35 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches in height, weighed about 145 pounds, was dark complexioned, had black moustache, and wore a gray suit, soft black hat, and no overcoat.

MATRIMONIAL.

Mr. Charles W. Brown of the firm of Bailey & Brown, druggists on Merrimack street, and Miss Lizzie G. McLaughlin, were united in marriage this afternoon at the parsonage of the Immaculate Conception church by Rev. William D. Joyce, O.M.I. The bride wore a travelling dress of royal purple broadcloth, trimmed with sable fur, and was attended by her sister, Miss Louise J McLaughlin, who wore a charming costume of purple broadcloth, trimmed with ermine and a purple picture hat. The groom was attended by Dr. William T. Carolin.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the future home of the couple on Andover street, at which only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties were present. The D. L. Page company catered.

The bridal couple left at four o'clock for New York, Baltimore, Washington and the South.

FIVE CHARGES OF BURGLARY.

Malden, Feb. 22.—Henry E. Black, the Melrose burglar, was brought before the district court here today. He is only 19, and claims that his home is in New York.

He appears to be well educated. The Melrose police have five complaints against him for breaking and entering, the total plunder amounting to between $200 and $300.

Among the places which were broken into Saturday night and Sunday morning were Mark Bowker's variety store, corner Main and Green streets; John Larioletto's provision store, Upham street; Albert Keene's grocery store, Upham street; Susan P. Fuller's dry goods store, Franklin street; and the office of Rufus Kilgore, Franklin street.

The police have recovered all the goods and the small amount of money taken.

Chief McLaughlin requested the court to continue the case till next Friday, as he wanted further time to look up the evidence.

Black pleaded not guilty to the several complaints charging him with breaking and entering. The government requested that Black be held without bonds, and he was committed to the Cambridge jail.

THE DEVER CASE.

Boston, Feb. 22.—John F. Dever, arraigned before Judge Hardy in the Superior criminal court yesterday afternoon was on an indictment containing two counts, one charging the robbery of $1300 from Newell Paine, a Roxbury druggist, on December 8, last, and the other charging larceny in a building.

To both counts the prisoner pleaded guilty.

Asst. Dist. Attorney Sughrue asked the court to fix the amount of bail at $7500, which the court accordingly did.

The defendant was brought to Boston from Washington, D. C., by Inspector Gaddie of police headquarters.

NO NEW TRIAL.

Boston, Feb. 22.—In the case of Nellie J. Peterkin, convicted of manslaughter in causing the death of Catherine F. Murphy, the wife of Joseph Murphy, the horseman, his honor overruled the motion for a new trial.

Mrs. Peterkin will be sentenced before the close of the present week.

McKINLEY SPEAKS

Addressed an Immense Audience in Philadelphia.

HE CHOSES AS HIS SUBJECT, "WASHINGTON."

The Future Depends on Ourselves.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Philadelphia, Feb. 22.—President McKinley made an interesting address before the students of the University of Pennsylvania at the Academy of Music here today. An immense crowd was present. His theme was "Washington" He said: "This day belongs to patriotism and the people. He spoke interestingly of Washington's long and distinguished service at the head of the army and as chief executive and said that Washington's public life and the history of the country are indissoluble one being incomplete without the other. But with all our pride in Washington, we not infrequently fail to give him credit for his marvellous genius as a conservative statesman. He had neither precedent or predecessor to help him launch the ship of state. He always contended for the promotion of learning institutions, cherished public credit, and for the observance of good faith and justice to all nations. Free schools are the necessary supplement of free men. We have been fully rewarded all along our history by adhering to the principles of Washington in keeping public faith. From the day our flag was unfurled to the present hour no stain of just obligation violated has yet tarnished the American name. This must and will be true of the future as well as the past. Following his precepts, we cannot err. We have every incentive to cherish his memory. His wisdom and foresight have been confirmed and vindicated after more than a century of experience. His best eulogy is the work he wrought; his highest tribute is the great republic he founded. What the future will be depends upon ourselves.

EX-PRESIDENT HARRISON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—Ex-President Harrison spoke today at the auditorium at the Union League club meeting in honor of Washington, the subject being "Obligations of Wealth."

M. CLUB'S ENTERTAINMENT.

The M club held forth in Prescott hall last night with a dance and concert program.

There were about 60 couples present and the officers and aids were as follows: General manager, Fred H. McCarthy; assistant, Thomas E. Murphy; floor director, F. C. Murphy; assistant, C. C. Schloss; secretary, J. P. Fallon; treasurer, George S. Robinson; chief aid, Patrick Murphy; aids, S. F. Monahan, W. E. Nichols, P. H. Hall, Henry Smith, Frank McOsker, John Sullivan and F. Cummings.

The candy and lemonade tables were in charge of Marion Murphy and her assistants were Stasia McCarthy, Madeleine McGaughey, Winifred Campbell, Mary E. Riley and Bessie Murphy.

MAINE WILL BE RAISED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, Feb. 22.—The Merritt and Chapman Derrick and Wrecking company of New York today signed a contract with the government to raise the battleship Maine. Their most powerful tug, Monarch, leaves New York for Havana today, followed by other tugs, and the work will begin as soon as possible. The Monarch carried two expert divers and complete machinery.

FEELING IN HAVANA.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Havana, Feb. 22.—General Lee and members of the United States Court of Inquiry into the Maine disaster called this morning on Captain General Blanco and Admiral Monterol. They the presumed their session. It is believed the number of bodies will be removd from the forward hatch today. It is announced that sixteen hundred Spanish troops arrived at Santiago de Cuba Saturday. All public festivities have been suspended for three days out of respect to the Maine dead.

GROCER RICHARDSON.

PASSED AWAY AT HIS HOME THIS MORNING.

John B. Richardson, a highly respected old resident of Lowell died this morning at his home, 5 Willie street. He was 59 years of age, and was a native of Burlington, Mass.

He came to Lowell at an early age and entered the grocery business. He established the firm of J. B. Richardson, which later became J. B. Richardson & Sons. The firm is one of the oldest in the city, and is still in business at Liberty Square.

On account of his advanced age, Mr. Richardson did not in recent years, devote much time to business, but left the active management to his two sons.

He is survied by two sons, John Walter and William W. Richardson, and one daughter, who is the wife of Dr. Taylor. He leaves several grandchildren. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

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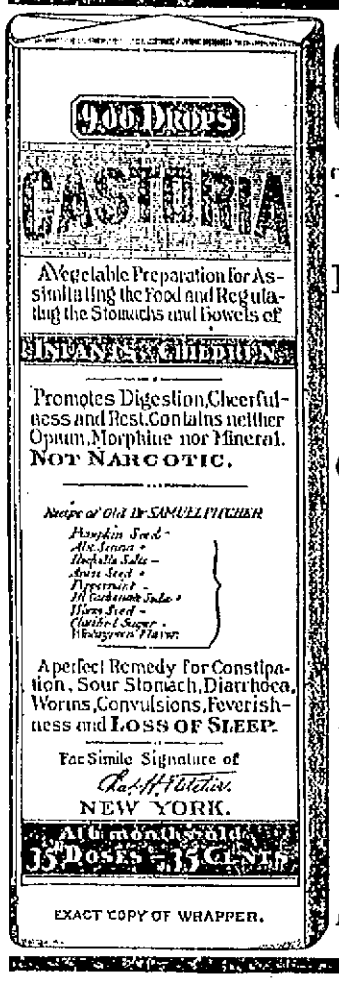

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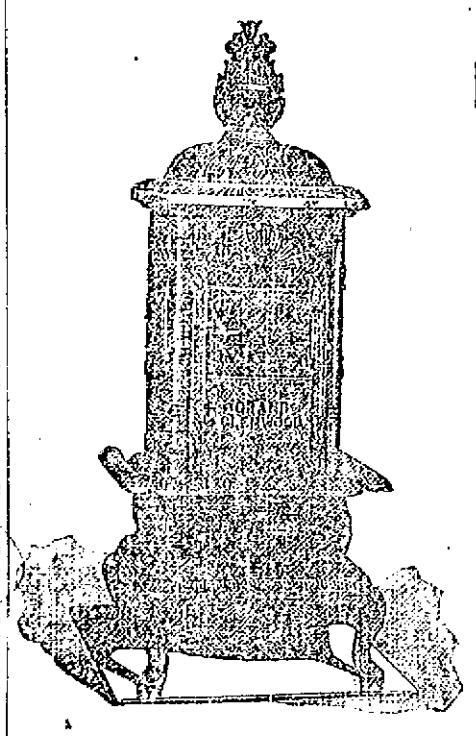

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Wise Merchants

The merchants of Lowell are not fools. Of course they were not as wise once as they are now, but their wisdom came through experience.

While they always bought their merchandise by measure and weight, they used to buy advertising space in the local papers by sympathy and guess-work. They don't buy it that way now. They buy space on the basis of circulation, estimating the price per inch per thousand papers circulated.

On this basis, they know what they get and they know that THE SUN is by far the cheapest medium in the city. THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two papers in Lowell.

The military bodies throughout the country are now engaged in drilling and getting ready for active service. Company M of this city has reported ready for the field.

The agitation for the abolition of the Training school is not based upon a desire to improve our schools. It aims at removing all obstacles placed in the way of inferior teachers securing positions.

In the death of Miss Frances Willard, humanity has lost an influential friend. She was always foremost in every movement for social reform and especially in the case of temperance she was universally recognized as a leader.

It is reported that the defeated candidates for the post office in Haverhill are endeavoring to relegate Congressman Moody to private life, but it is doubtful if they will succeed in that object. There are defeated post office candidates in Lowell yet to be heard from on the congressional contest. They are not saying much, but their influence may be felt in the right direction when the time comes.

The New York Journal has shown its patriotism and liberality by starting a fund for a monument to the victims of the Maine disaster. It has opened the fund with a contribution of $1000 and invites subscriptions from all parts of the country and from every sympathizer with the crew of that ill-fated battleship. The movement is one in which the Grand Army men should especially take a lively interest. The success of the undertaking is assured from the beginning, because the people of this country are ever ready to recognize self-sacrifice and patriotic devotion.

The labor investigation now being conducted in different cities of the state appears to be giving the mill agents an excellent opportunity to justify the cut-down so far as that lies in their power. It will be difficult, of course, for any mill official to justify a reduction of wages while the mill is paying high dividends, but yet that is just what some of the mill agents are trying to do. It will be interesting to hear what Agent Thomas of the Tremont & Suffolk will say upon the question, inasmuch as he is authority for the statement that there is no need of a cut-down in wages and that it will not remedy the depression in the cotton business.

Joseph Smith of the Irish Historical society by his able paper read in New York a few nights ago, has drawn upon himself a severe criticism, owing to his attacks upon writers who are supposed to be almost unimpeachable. Mr. Smith, we have no doubt, can defend himself against these attacks and show that he has even more ammunition to explode against the writers in question. Henry Cabot Lodge is one of the most erratic writers upon some questions that could possibly be selected for criticism. Mr. Smith assailed him on one of his weak points and can easily sustain the charges made. The same is true in the case of Professor Fiske, and the other writers whom Mr. Smith criticised.

Senator Butler as the head of the populist party, has written a long letter upon the question of trusts. It is upon the matter of oppressive trusts that the republican party can best be assailed. He lays considerable stress also upon the necessity of public ownership of railroad and telegraphic lines but this, it seems, is a matter of secondary importance as compared with the evils of the gold standard, which is a continual obstacle to business progress and enterprise of every kind. The points upon which the republican party will be assailed most fiercely will be,—first, its adherence to the gold standard in the worst form; and second, its subserviency to the trusts and monopolies of the country.

A MEASURE THAT SHOULD PASS.

There is a bill before Congress providing that it will be unlawful for any court of the United States or any judge thereof to issue a writ of injunction, mandate or restraining order against any labor organization, its officers or members in any manner affecting their full freedom to peacefully and quietly quit the services of any person or corporation at any time they may see proper to do so. It seems from the experience of the past few years in labor matters that this bill is of great importance to the toiling masses of the country. The injunction of late years has been used as a weapon against strikes and it has often been applied to prevent workmen from striking. In England where the courts are supposed to adhere to all the principles of justice, the injunction has not been used for any such purpose in any of the great strikes that have there occurred. It seems that the use of the injunction as applied to strikes is an innovation of modern date and one which was never contemplated by law. The bill before congress is intended to remedy what is undoubtedly a growing abuse of judicial power and one which if not promptly restrained, may lead to serious consequences. The labor organizations of the country are a unit in favor of this bill.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Indianapolis News—Zola is not writing fiction now; he is making history.

The Springfield Republican proposes a census of President McKinleys cabinet, to ascertain if the Honorable John Sherman is still in it.

Concord Monitor—The petitioners for woman suffrage in Massachusetts have been given leave to withdraw, but we don't think they will withdraw very far.

Freeland Tribune—Details of the Lattimer massacre fills columns of the newspapers, but have no effect upon the inhuman gang who slaughtered the innocent men. Such is the hardened condition of plutocrat assassins.

Brockton Enterprise—The figures quoted before the legislative labor committee at New Bedford made one thing apparently manifest, which is that the workers certainly earned no more money than was necessary for the support of life, and that in families it was quite necessary for more than one to work to keep the larder and the fuel box well supplied, even before the latest cut was made.

New York Evening Post—President Dole is said to have gone home a sadder and wiser man. He enjoys the distinction of being the first president of a republic known to history who travelled around the world trying to sell his own country to a foreign power. This is the more comic because he was telling everybody all the time he was here that his government was much beloved by its people and that they greatly desired its maintenance. But he resented deeply any proposal that they should be consulted about the transfer. In fact, he said it was insulting to him to doubt their willingness to be sold out. A more happy and contented lot there could not be. Nevertheless, they felt that it was time they were disposed of.

New York Journal—The people of Switzerland voted last week in favor of the purchase and operation by the state of all the railways within the little republic. The vote was by means of referendum, every male inhabitant above the age of twenty years having the right to cast one ballot. For state ownership the vote was 384,146 to 177,-130 against. The total population of Switzerland is about 3,000,000 and as the normal voting population of a state in which the franchise is practically free, is about one-sixth of the total population, it is apparent that the proposal for state ownership in Switzerland was adopted by a rousing majority in a full vote.

The price which Switzerland is to pay for her railroads is $200,000,000 for 2,301 miles of track equipped and open for traffic, or an average of about $86,-050 dollars a mile. American railways are notoriously over capitalized, yet their value as expressed by their capital stock and funded debt is in the neighborhood of $60,000 a mile. This would make the Swiss railways seem expensive but the ruggedness of the country, the frequent tunnels and the superior solidity of the roadbed must be taken into consideration.

It would be well to keep in mind that the Swiss roads were built by private enterprise, and that their prime cost upon which, of course, interest must be earned, was one-third greater than that of American railroads. In two or three years we shall hear the laissez faire wiseacre lifting up his voice to proclaim that fares on Swiss railroads are higher than on railways in the United States—all because the former are owned by the state.

LAWRENCE MAN MISSING.

Timothy Murphy disappeared from his home, 269 Oak street, February 11, and his friends, assisted by the police have been unable to trace his whereabouts.

Mr. Murphy is married and has two children. He is a building laborer and has been out of work about three weeks. He is said not to have had the "blues" and was in good health.

Mrs. Murphy says he left the house about 6 o'clock in the evening and said he would be back in a minute as he was going to care for the children while she went down street. Their home life was always pleasant and no reason can be assigned for his disappearance. Foul play is not suspected, as he had no money and did not even carry his watch.

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FOUGHT OVER A WORD.

TWO EAST BOSTON MEN DIFFER ABOUT ITS PRONUNCIATION.

Boston, Feb. 22.—Everett Earl and James McCallum, well known citizens of East Boston, were before Judge Emmons in the District Court, yesterday, to answer to the charge of assault upon each other.

While crossing the ferry last Saturday, the two gentlemen began discussing the Maine disaster. Nothing happened while the boat was crossing the stream, but when the men started to walk up the drop, Earl said:

"I believe there were many men wound ed on that ship besides those who were killed outright."

"Many what?" asked McCallum, "you mean wounded." Who ever heard an educated man call it wounded. I'm surprised at you."

"I said wounded and I mean wounded," continued the other. "I know what I'm talking about and don't you make any mistake about it. I haven't studied Webster all my life for nothing."

"Webster never said wounded, though," rejoined McCallum, "in the sense of being hurt or injured. He knew his business too well for that. You've culled that word from the vocabulary of some barroom orator or lyceum sidewalk debater."

Unwilling to abide by Webster or any other authority, the two fell to "wounding" or "woonding" each other. Judge Emmons fined them $10 each.

BOXING GOSSIP.

The many Lowell friends of Timmy Kearns, the Lawrence boxer who is quite as well known here as in his own town, will read with interest the following from the Cleveland Plain Dealer:

Eddie Connolly, with all his reputation had to take off his hat to little Timmy Kearns of Lawrence last night, for after Connolly had been unable to get to weight, 135 pounds, and forfeited the money posted, Kearns who weighed in as required, fought him to a draw and gave him all the trouble he wanted. The meeting took place in the Central Armory before an audience of fully 600 people, in spite of the blizzard. The preliminary bouts were soon over, for Tommy Grant disposed of A. Mahoney in three rounds and Al Cowell who was substituted for Jack Hammond against Lon Beckwith, won in four rounds.

No boxing exhibition that has ever taken place in this city has been more of a surprise party than the Connolly-Kearns go. Kearns was practically unknown here, while Connolly, having defeated Frank Gerrard and Jimmy Dime in three rounds, each in their best days, was looked upon as a wonder. Kearns' money was hard to find at any odds and bets were made at even money that the Lawrence lad would not last 12 rounds. In spite of all this, Kearns puzzled Connolly more than he has ever been puzzled in his life with the exception of a very few goes.

While it is true that Connolly did lead much more frequently than Kearns, it is also true that Kearns seldom failed to get in a bad poke every time that Connolly started unless he got away altogether. Kearns' footwork is the cleverest that has ever been seen in this city, barring none. It takes a clever man to stay 20 rounds with Eddie Connolly, and when it comes to making a draw of it, there is no mistake about the man who does it. Kearns certainly landed on Connolly much more frequently than Connolly landed on him, and when it came to clean square punches, he had a good deal the better of it. This was offset by Connolly's aggressiveness and the decision was the only just one that could have been made.

All in all, the contest was the cleanest and cleverest that has been seen here and a more satisfactory entertainment has seldom been given anywhere.

It was said that Connolly was six or seven pounds overweight, but his trainers claimed that he only weighed 136 ½, a pound and a half over the limit. Kearns stepped on the scales and did not move the beam at 135. He looked to be in splendid condition and showed the result of his careful training.

CRISP GOSSIP.

Read the following:
To the Editor Nashua Telegraph:

I have in my barn one of the curiosities of the world. I was doing my work in the barn and had raked down quite a lot of hay. In a short time there was quite a noise in the hay. I started with pitchfork in hand to ascertain what the trouble was, when to my great surprise there were nine large rats with their tails all twisted together and rolled up in a ball. They were so tight together they could not escape, so I killed them all. They are to be seen in my barn one mile from Townsend poor farm.

—Luther A. Blood.

Mason, February 19.

We don't know the man, though we will say that he lives in a temperance town. This may be a snake story changed over.

A frend just returned tells me that Nelson Morkell, formerly well known as a lieutenant of the late John Stetson is successful in business in London, where he is agent for a patent chemical fire extinguisher.

Mr. Morkell was connected with the Savoy and Lakeview theatres last season.

KICKED BY HORSE.

Joseph Vein, aged 21, living at 45 Franklin street, Lawrence, was kicked in the face by a horse Monday and had both jaws fractured and was otherwise bruised. His injuries may be fatal. He is now resting comfortably at the general hospital.

Vein was leading a horse belonging to Michael Golden, peddler, of Valley street, to the drinking fountain at the junction of White, Bradford and Concord streets, when at the corner of Lowell and Amesbury streets the animal became unmanageable and kicked Vein in the face.

He presented a horrible sight and for some distance about the streets the way was a mass of blood. The police were summoned and Inspector Sheehan with the wagon took him to the general hospital where Drs. Dow, Howard and Chamberlain, attended him. Vein is in a critical condition.

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FIGHTING THE BILL.

PROPRIETARY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA RAISES STRONG PROTEST.

The Proprietary association of America is engaged in a strong protest against the passage of the following act which has been introduced into the legislature:

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1.—Whoever sells any patent or proprietary medicines, except upon the written prescription of a physician, shall affix to the bottle, box or wrapper containing the article sold a label upon which shall be printed in clear type and in plain view of the purchaser the name and percentum of each ingredient contained in such medicine.

Whoever neglects to affix such label shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence.

Section 2.—This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The association's claims against the bill are briefly as follows:

"It is a deathblow aimed at proprietary medicines, inasmuch as it requires the placing of the ingredients of each medicine upon the label. The moment such a bill becomes a law, the proprietary interest which the manufacturer now holds in his article would become public property. In order to comply with the laws of one state alone—that of Massachusetts—the manufacturer would never consent to make his formula public property and the state would therefore be deprived of large revenues in taxes, a large industry would be wiped out, and foreign advertisers would be excluded from doing any business within your state. Is it not time to call a halt on meddlesome doctors who would wish a law passed that they would never consent to apply to their own prescriptions which are compounded in secrecy with a recipe in Latin.

BOYLE O'REILLY CIRCLE

HAD A PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION LAST NIGHT.

The John Boyle O'Reilly Reading Circle had a patriotic celebration last night in honor of the anniversary of Washington's Birthday.

The circle entertained in its new rooms in Associate hall and about sixty young men were in attendance. The room was set as a drawing room and a beautiful portrait of Washington stood on an easel, surrounded by the national colors. The exercises were opened by Thomas Delaney, who extended a welcome and dwelt on the occasion of the gathering. The main feature of the evening was an oration by John R. Shea, on Washington. Mr. Shea is a member of the club and he delivered a very able paper.

There were piano solos by John Kelty, James Cahill, and James Cookin; vocal selections by Peter A. Clune, David A. McHugh, D. P. Martin, J. E. Donnelly, Peter Ball; recitations, J. T. Hennessey and W. D. Regan; clarionet solo, Stephen Monahan. During the evening, lunch was served by Caterer Leclaire. The committee in charge included John J. Murphy, James Healey, Timothy Harrigan.

A MESSAGE OF HELP FOR SICK CHILDREN.

It is a fact that our people have heretofore not had the same opportunity for having their children who suffer from chronic or lingering complaints treated and cured by eminent specialists in children's diseases as do the residents of the great cities where such skilled physicians reside. Dr. Greene of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., who is beyond doubt the most successful specialist in curing diseases of children, offers to give free consultation by mail in all cases of children's complaints. Write Dr. Greene immediately about your child. It certainly can be cured.

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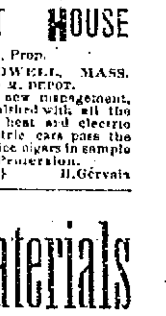

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THE U. S. ARMY INCREASED

Senate Passes a Bill for Addition to Artillery Force.

Only Four Votes in Opposition—Session of House Enlivened by Outburst of Oratory — Annexation Question Discussed.

Washington, Feb. 23.—As soon as the Key West [illegible] the historic farewell address [illegible] ington was concluded by Mr. [illegible] of Massachusetts in the senate [illegible] by Mr. Hawley of Connecticut, [illegible] of the military affairs committee, called up the bill providing for the enlistment of two additional regiments of artillery for service in manning the heavy coast defense batteries which congress has provided during the past two years. Mr. Bate objected to the bill because it tended to an increase in the army, to which he was unalterably opposed. He thought that there were enough troops already under enlistment to man all the guns provided for by the government. He argued that it would be better to assign infantry regiments to the manning of these guns than to put them in charge of raw recruits.

JOSEPH R. HAWLEY.

In reply Mr. Hawley pointed out that the strength of the army was really decreasing in proportion to the inhabitants of the country. In addition, he said, congress had made large appropriations in recent years for great guns for forts and coast defense stations. Of these guns 139 were of large calibre and delicate mechanism. To these must be added 232 rifled steel mortars already placed in the coast defense stations. In order that these guns may be properly handled a body of trained artillerists is necessary. Each of these great war engines requires to handle it as much skill as it requires to run a locomotive or an ordinary river steamer. The war department estimates that the 1600 men which this bill calls for will be necessary to man these guns properly.

Mr. Cockerell was opposed to an increase in the infantry or cavalry arms of the service, but in this case the country was confronted by a serious condition. He regarded it as necessary that the guns provided by the government should be properly manned and cared for. For that reason as a member of the committee he voted to have the bill favorably reported.

The bill was then passed, 52 to 4.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama secured the adoption of a resolution instructing the committe on naval affairs to inquire and report to the senate whether a warship to be named the George Washington and to be equal to the most powerful in the world could be constructed and commissioned within 12 months.

Cuba usurped the place of Hawaii in the executive proceedings. This proceeding was based upon a document presented by Senator Morgan as the result of an interview between himself and Mr. Koop of Boston. The latter said that he had been in 34 provinces and had spent more or less time in each of them in the prosecution of his inquiries. In no place outside of Havana was any effort made to take care of the reconcentrados, and he declared that the people were dying in great numbers in all places in which they had been collected by the Spanish authorities, both as a result of the cruelty of the Spanish troops and from lack of food. He declared that there is no evidence in the provinces of a more liberal treatment of these unfortunate people under the administration of General Blanco than under the Weyler regime, and the people in general are in just as deplorable a condition now as they had been before the change. In no case are the reconcentrados allowed to go outside the military posts to collect food, and while there is some effort in certain instances to grow crops in the immediate vicinity of the garrisons, these crops do not extend more than 500 yards from the forts. He added that if the people were allowed to get out they could get enough to eat to keep soul and body together, but even when small children attempted to go outside the guard line they were shot down as ruthless as if they were enemies in arms. He had seen women and children abused by the Spanish soldiery, and a favorite pastime seemed to be to kick the women about as if they were dogs. Mr. Kopp also devoted considerable space, at Mr. Morgan's suggestion, to the scheme of autonomy under the liberal ministry and pronounced it a failure from one end of the island to the other. Business is at a standstill throughout the country. Few crops are growing, and desolation and ruin stare the traveler in the face wherever he goes.

AGAINST HAWAII.

Republican Representative Treats his Colleagues to a Decided Sensation.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The Democrats favored an observance of Washington's birthday, but the Republicans with few exceptions opposed the proposition, and a session was held as usual. In the course of the day Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.) created a sensation by delivering an emphatic speech against the annexation of Hawaii. His remarks were met by many demonstrations of approval from the Democratic side. Whether the present government of Hawaii was a de facto or a de jure government, he declared that it misrepresented the people of Hawaii, whose rights it was ready to proffer away. How long had it been, he asked, since we had passed a bill to keep out the ignorance of the old world, that we now proposed to annex territory in which ignorance was the rule. We passed a Chinese exclusion act; now it is proposed to annex territory which contains a large Chinese population. It would be unwise and shortsighted if we should cut loose from all the traditions of the past and rashly embark on the unknown sea of territorial aggrandizement. Today the cry is "Give us Hawaii;" tomorrow it will be "Give us Cuba" and the next day "Give us Samoa." Those appeals would all be justified by the pleasant sophistries which appeal to our vanity and cupidity until at last we would find ourselves irretrievably committed to a policy unnecessary to the material happiness of our people, hurrying along a path strewn with the wrecks of empires and of nations. (Applause)

He did not deny that the acquisition of foreign territory had added to the prosperity of nations, but history showed it to have been ultimately a source of weakness. Cupidity bred oppression, it piled up taxes, it stirred up strife. It shed human blood, it was the first step toward dismemberment. Let the nations of the old world pursue this policy of aggrandizement to their heart's content; let them saddle their people with debt, equip armies and navies and shed oceans of blood. Let England boast, if she please, that the sun never set upon her territory; but let us remember it never went down upon the misery her policy had created. Let wars and rumors of war bring anxiety to the faces of her colonists, but let the flower of her colonies which broke away from her domination 100 years ago and which, by pursuing the opposite policy, had outstripped her, continue to stand as an example to the civilized world. While others sought war and its horrors, let us soothe our people with enduring peace."

The demonstration which greeted the conclusion of Mr. Johnson's speech was one of the greatest and most spontaneous witnessed in this congress. Many of the Republicans joined it, and the galleries, which were crowded, gave evidences of approval. Members thronged about the Indiana member when he took his seat and warmly congratulated him.

Mr. Jones (Fusionist, Wash.) delivered a general speech in opposition to expiring conditions which aroused the minority to enthusiasm. Mr. Simpson (Pop., Kan.) created amusement by some observations. He was speaking of the tendency of the times to produce millionaires on the one hand and paupers on the other, and was directing his remarks especially at Mr. Walker, when Mr. Perkins (Rep., Ia.) asked him if he would object to being a millionaire.

"I should not," replied Mr. Simpson amid laughter. "I don't believe in playing the hypocrite; but that I am not a millionaire is evidence of my direct declination to take advantage of my fellow man."

"If you were a millionaire I presume you would admit that there was some respectability among them?"

"Yes, I have no doubt I should add at least an air of respectability to them." (Laughter)

Mr. Walker replied to Mr. Simpson, denouncing the other side for its reiterated aspersions upon men of wealth. Turning to the southern members, he declared impulsively that he had given to the cause of education in the south more than all of them together had contributed. "Figure it out," he said with feeling, "and you will find I have given two dollars for every one you have contributed. I am tired of this abuse. I stand here in the integrity of an honest life. I have given away more than I now possess. You have driven me to this statement; now hang your heads in shame." (Great applause on Republican side)

RHODE ISLAND ENDEAVORERS.

Providence, Feb. 23.—The Christian Endeavor convention was brought to a close last night. The report of the enrollment committee showed that 475 Endeavorers had registered. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, E. P. Metcalf of Providence; first vice president, Rev. Walter Green of Fiskeville; second vice president, Gertrude E. Church of Westerly; recording secretary, Winfred J. Curtis of Westerly; corresponding secretary, Frank O. Bishop of Providence; treasurer, Anson F. Bennett of Providence; superintendent of junior work, Mrs. D. W. Gallup of Woonsocket.

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MRS. BONNER'S TESTIMONY AGAINST STRIKERS.

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Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 23.—At Sheriff Martin's trial yesterday Mrs. John Bonner testified that on Sept. 10, she saw the McAdoo strikers come from different directions. They were armed with sticks and pieces of iron. She told her boy to go in the brush.

Michael Dogostine, an Italian, testified that he saw the strikers when they came along. He went into an outhouse. The strikers found the building and pulled him out. He told them he was sick, and they allowed him to go. On cross examination the witness described how the crowd came into the village and drove the people like goats.

Mrs. Annie Draper, aged 82, who was very feeble, testified that on Sept. 10 the strikers came through Cranberry. They acted like wild men. One man was armed with a club and another with a revolver. Another man picked up a stone and threw it at her.

The stone weighed nearly a pound and was produced in court. Attorney Lenahan held the stone up before the jurors and said: "This is one of the stones the strikers picked up to strike matches with."

Thomas McNellis said he had charge of six men who were working on the road when the strikers came along. They wanted the men to stop work. McNellis expostulated with them. He told them that his men were not working for the coal company. The strikers, however, were threatening, and the men, seeing they were outnumbered, agreed to surrender and go along with the strikers.

NAMED A TICKET.

Providence, Feb. 23.—The Prohibition party of Rhode Island held its state convention Washington's birthday for the nomination of state officers for the April election. Delegates from 27 towns were present, and the following men were nominated by the party: For governor, Edwin A. Lewis of Westerly; lieutenant governor, E. D. Harp of East Providence; secretary of state, Joseph Peckham; treasurer, Elisha T. Read of Woonsocket.

EXPLOSION OF A BOMB.

Montpellier, France, Feb. 23.—A bomb was exploded at the residence of Mr. Messino, a former president of the chamber of commerce. Serious damage was done, but there was no loss of life. The police have discovered three similar bombs in the vicinity of the headquarters of the staff and at the railroad depot. Several anarchists have been here for several days.

FEROCITY OF WHITES.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 23.—Postmaster Baker, whose appointment gave great offence to the white people in Lake City, Williamsburg county, S. C., was burned out of his house by an armed mob of 100 whites. Baker and an infant were killed, and his wife and three daughters were maimed for life.

AMERICAN MECHANICS.

Boston, Feb. 23.—The annual session of the state council of United American Mechanics was held yesterday. Forty-four new representatives were admitted and duly obligated. The following officers were elected and installed by National Councillor Goff: Councillor, W. I. Proctor of Marblehead; vice councillor, Fred L. Moses of Charlestown; council secretary, C. C. Littlefield of Charlestown; treasurer, Daniel Parlin of Worcester; inductor, W. F. Allen of Salem; examiner, G. H. Penniman of Malden; council protector, L. F. Fountain of Roxbury; representative to national council, B. W. Trefry of Marblehead; council trustees, C. S. Hilton of Lynn, E. B. Rogers of Boston and C. E. Burtt of Stoneham.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

London, Feb. 23.—The officers of the Hong Kong and Shanghai bank confirm the reports regarding the Chinese loan. It is at a low rate of interest, probably 2½ percent, and will be issued below par. The security is of two kinds, revenues already unpledged and international security in the shape of new ports to be opened, the port dues of which will be pledged, as will be, further, certain industrial and mining concessions as security for the loan.

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WILL RAISE THE MAINE

Secy. Long and a Wrecking Company Agree on Terms.

A Bonus Offered for Raising the Vessel—Work to be Done Before the Yellow Fever Season—The Combustion Theory Discussed.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The plans of the wrecking expedition for the relief of the Maine were completed yesterday after long conferences between Secretary Long and the representatives of the Merritt & Chapman company of New York and the Boston Towboat company. The companies had expected to begin work in Havana harbor in about a week, but at the last moment Mr. Long insisted that a provision should be made for sending forward at once at least one large wrecking boat, with divers and equipment. This was agreed to, and a dispatch was sent to the captain of the scawrecker Right Arm, now at Key West, to suspend his private work there and proceed at once to Havana. If the Right Arm has started north a torpedo boat will be sent after her with orders to proceed to Havana. At the same time a dispatch was sent to the New York office of the company to send two of the most experienced divers by train to Key West, when they will go to Havana and join the divers and wreckers on the Right Arm.

The commander of the Right Arm is ordered to place himself, with his divers and machinery, under the orders of Captain Sigsbee, who thus will be free to avail himself of their services in the recovery of bodies or any particularly desirable pieces of equipment or property, before the regular wrecking operations begin. These are emergency steps which precede the main wrecking expedition, which will be outfitted at Boston, New York and Norfolk.

The terms of the contract provide for the payment to the wrecking companies of the sum of $371 per day for their regular plant and an additional payment of $500 per day for the use of the Monarch while the latter is actually employed. An express provision is made that the government may terminate the contract at any moment. It is also provided that the compensation shall not exceed the sum of money ($200,000) appropriated by congress for this purpose. Finally it is provided that if the companies succeed in raising the Maine and towing her to New York they shall receive a bonus of $100,000.

In view of the large first cost of the Maine, about $5,000,000, and the national desire that she shall be raised, as evidenced by the prompt and unanimous action of congress upon the joint resolution, Secretary Long believes that he is fully justified in making the above terms, though at first thought the per diem compensation seems large. It must be borne in mind, however, he said, that this will constitute the largest wrecking expedition ever equipped in this country. Moreover, the wreckers expressed a willingness to go to work in the usual way that they serve underwriters, namely, to do the wrecking and then take the award of a board of arbitration. This plan, however, was not open to the government, which is compelled by law to fix exact terms in advance. A clause of the contract requires the companies to proceed with all dispatch and in a business like manner with the work of wrecking, and though this haste adds to the cost of the work it is believed to be necessary in view of the possibility of the early appearance of yellow fever at Havana harbor with the approach of the rainy season next month.

In addition to the emergency work to be prosecuted by the Right Arm, the main expedition will be made up of about 100 men, including six skilled divers; the wrecking steamer Underwriter of Boston, of 600 horse power; the wrecking steamer John O. Jones of Norfolk, of similar power; the iron barge Lone Star of Boston, capable of carrying 3000 tons; the floating derrick Monarch, capable of lifting 200 tons, the largest floating derrick in the country, and another derrick capable of lifting 30 tons.

The wreckers were loath to express an opinion as to their ability to raise the hull of the Maine. Mr. Chapman and Captain Humphreys stated that nothing but a close personal inspection would permit a decision on that point. They are hopeful, however, that the ship can be brought to the surface. The Lone Star will be used to receive the turrets, guns and wreckage, and as fast as loads are made up she will be towed to the Norfolk navy yard.

THE COMBUSTION THEORY.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The most potent sign that the first and exciting stage of the Maine disaster has been passed was the fact that only a single cablegram was received yesterday at the navy department relating to that event. Captain Sigsbee telegraphed: "Send to Forsyth for Sigsbee a transverse sectional drawing of the Maine through the forward 10-inch magazine and shell room, showing pocket coal bunkers." This request was immediately complied with. It is supposed that Captain Sigsbee wants these drawings to assist in the work of raising the ship, as they would be of great aid to the divers. They will be useful also as the basis for the testimony now being taken by the court of inquiry at Havana. The fact that it is deemed essential that the drawings shall show the pocket coal bunkers, which abut on the magazine, is evidence that Captain Sigsbee has in mind the spontaneous combustion theory, though it does not follow by any means that he is committed to it.

Some of the employes of the navy department have been making estimates of the amount of money that will be required to meet the demands of the joint resolution which Mr. Boutelle proposes to introduce in the house allowing a year's sea pay to the families of the dead sailors and money for lost clothing and effects not to exceed a year's pay to the survivors. They fix the sum at not to exceed $150,000.

In explanation of the order to the Norfolk navy yard officials to have the Terror in condition for service, Secretary Long said this had been given to replace the Maine, it being deemed desirable that the armored fleet should not fall below a certain number. There was very little work to be done on the Terror, and 48 hours should suffice to finish it. The Terror is our most powerful double-turreted monitor and, although not as effective at sea as a battleship, in the smooth waters of a harbor she probably would be able to hold her own against almost any craft.

The navy department received a dispatch from Captain Sigsbee last evening saying that 14 more bodies had been recovered from the wreck. All are unidentified. It is not thought that any bodies will be identified hereafter unless by the clothing. Aside from the effect of long submersion, the men still missing were nearly all directly under the main deck which was blown up, and the tremendous force of the explosion probably blotted scores of them out of existence entirely.

TOOK ON COAL.

Captain of the Spanish Man-of-war not Afraid of Explosives.

New York, Feb. 23.—Two Lehigh Valley coal barges were towed to the Vizcaya yesterday and their cargoes transferred to the man-of-war. The vessel needed coal, and Captain Eulate decided to take on board a supply here, having no fear that any explosives would be hidden in it. The water boat Croton also visited the Vizcaya and filled her tanks with fresh water.

The coal for the Vizcaya came from the Baltimore and Ohio railroad terminus at St. George. It was loaded in the barges under the inspection of men from the United States navy, and the barges were watched by a navy tug.

FOUR DIVERS AT WORK.

Havana, Feb. 23.—Lieutenant G. F. Holman, navigator and ordnance officer of the Maine, was examined at the morning session of the court of inquiry yesterday. At the afternoon session Lieutenant Commander Wainwright, executive officer of the Maine, was called.

Four divers are at work, two in the fore part of the Maine and the others aft. The task is most laborious. The men are extremely careful, as they have had to work in complete darkness, and several have had bad falls. Electric lights, worked from the Mangrove, are now available, and much good is expected from them. Nearly all the possible salvage has been moved from the cabin aft. The efforts to reach the ward and mess rooms are frustrated by an unknown obstacle. It is expected to find bodies in these rooms. Three cases of 10-inch ammunition have been found, one having exploded, the others full of powder. These were forward.

The work of securing the bodies under the hatch has been most difficult in the dark, but it is hoped that the electric lights will be of great assistance. The bodies are much mutilated and some are partially burned. The bodies of 12 firemen have been taken out from under the hatch leading from the superstructure to the fireroom. None was recognized, and all were necessarily dismembered in course of removal.

LOVING WORDS OF SYMPATHY.

Boston, Feb. 23.—Washington's birthday was the theme of discussion at the annual celebration by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company yesterday. Naturally, most of the speakers took occasion to say something of the officers and men who lost their lives in the recent disaster in Havana harbor, while many who addressed the gathering also had much to add as to the importance of the task the company has recently set about—the preservation of Faneuil hall.

A most interesting event was the reading of a cablegram received by Colonel Bradley from the London company. This sympathetic message was as follows: "Members of Honorable Artillery company wish to convey to their comrades in Boston and the whole of your great nation their deep sympathy in the great calamity that has befallen you by the untimely death of so many of your gallant officers and seamen by the sad disaster while on duty."

Colonel Bradley sent the following reply: "Assembled in honor of the birthday of Washington, our hearts are touched by your loving words of sympathy. God bless our brothers and comrades of the Honorable Artillery company. Have sent copy of your message to the president at Washington."

CRAMP UNDETERMINED.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—A number of photographs of the Maine were submitted to Charles H. Cramp for an expert opinion. After carefully examining them, Mr. Cramp said: "The damage wrought by the explosion as shown by the photographs was something terrible. After seeing the pictures I am more undetermined than ever as to the real cause of the disaster. The appearance of the wreck indicates that there were two terrific explosions. One thing is certain—if the wreck is as bad below the water as it appears above, and the inference is natural that the portion covered by the water is in a worse state than that above it, the government will never be able to raise the torn and twisted mass of steel except by the use of coffer-dams. In my opinion the proposition to raise what is left of her with pontoons is impracticable, and the building of coffer-dams is absolutely necessary."

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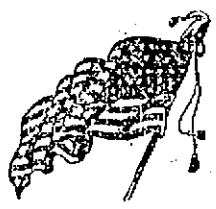

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Paris Preparing to Surprise the World With Its Architecture.

PROPORTIONS WILL BE OF CLASSIC GRANDEUR.

Structures That Will Replace the Famous Palace of Industry, Built in 1855.

The two principal buildings of the Monster Universal Exposition, which is to be held in Paris during 1900, will be the "Grand Palais," and its more dainty sister the "Petit Palais," or "Palais Girault" as it is sometimes known in honor of its architect. These two magnificent structures, the translation into marble and mortar of the beautiful dreams of their poet-architects, are to be permanent edifices, "solidly built for all time." This fact, together with their own structural beauty and grandeur of proportions, make them especially interesting and worthy of description.

The "Grand Palais," now in course of construction, is situated on the west side of the avenue Nicholas II, and will cover 32,000 square metres of ground surface. The foundations are all ready finished, and the walls have reached a height of ten or more feet. The material used is the light-colored building stone of Paris. Soon this stately building, with its massive architecture and its impressive rows of splendid columns, will be one of the sights of Paris. Here painting, sculpture and music will have their home.

The site of the "Petit Palais" is on the eastern side of the avenue Nicholas II, directly opposite the "Grand Palais." The "Petit Palais" will occupy only one quarter the ground space covered by its more massive and dignified neighbor across the way; nevertheless in all the details of its graceful architecture it will be in complete harmony with the more imposing grandeur of the "Grand Palais." M. Girault, the architect, made a careful study of the leading art museums of Europe and the United States before submitting his design to the jury of architects; and it is thought that, for the purposes intended, the exhibition of retrospective art, the "Petit Palais" will be the most perfect structure in the world. A beautiful garden will occupy the central portion of the palace. The method employed in lighting the building, so that the paintings and statues may be seen to the best advantage, is especially good.

These two palaces will cost $4,000,000; and will be the repository of the most valuable art treasures of France. Here the salons of the future will be held; and hither the devotees of art will come to dream over and to study and worship the masterpieces of the great painters and sculptors.

Like phoenixes, these stately edifices are arising above the ruins of the once famous Palais de l'Industrie which, with its gorgeous central dome, was one of the most striking and interesting features of the exposition of 1889. Blocks of stone are being taken from the demolished building and used in the construction of the sister palaces; so that this old historic building, loved by all Paris, is having a new birth in these two fairer daughters.

The Palais de l'Industrie has long been one of the famous buildings of Paris; not because of its architectural beauty, but because of its history, the many interesting events which have occurred within its walls and the value of its contents. Here were the Chamber of the Emperor and the Chamber of the Empress, a sight of which made the student of history dream dreams of the past glories of France, when the eagles of the Emperor perched above the thrones of all Europe. The building was constructed in 1855; and has played a prominent part in all the exposition which have occurred since that date. It has seen history made. The thunder of artillery has rolled out more than once within sound of its lofty dome; and battles have been fought almost at its very doors. It witnessed the death of an empire and the birthtroes of a republic. It knew the horrors of the long seige; and saw the triumphant march of the victorious Germans through the streets of the conquered city. But it was mortal; and now not a stone of the memorable structure stands one above the other. For a time Paris will miss it; but Paris is forgetful.

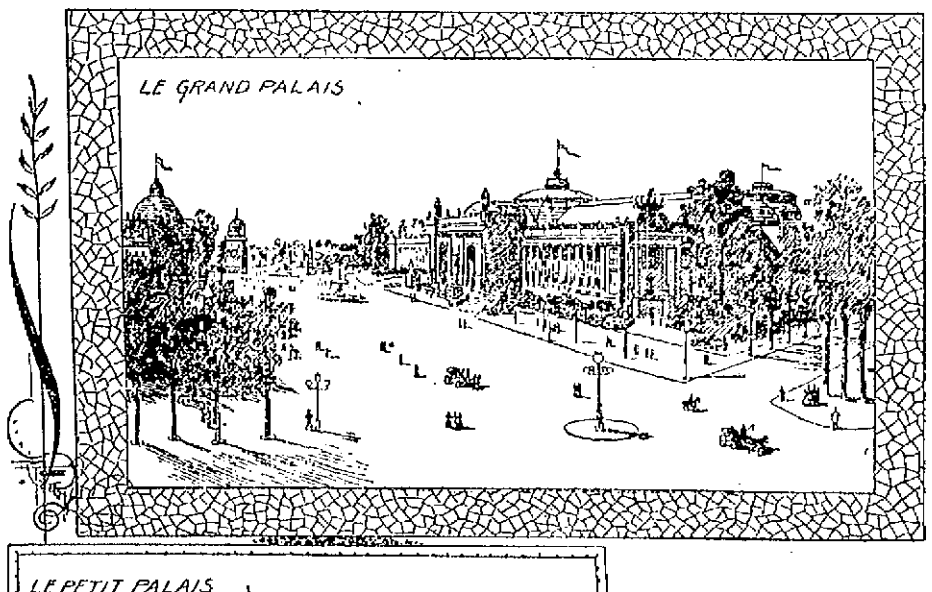
The chief characteristics of the world's fair in 1900 will be color and novelty. In these two things it is the aim of France to make the coming fair excel anything the world has yet seen.

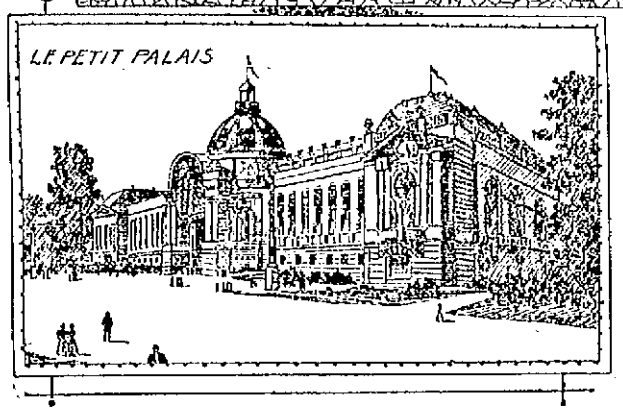
All buildings must harmonize with the general plan; and to effectually secure this desideratum no structure will be allowed to be erected unless its plans have been approved by the superintendent of architecture. The buildings will be ornate in their ornamentation, graceful in architecture and most brilliant in the display of colors—typical of the artistic sense and lively brilliancy of the French people.

No special features ever produced before will be allowed to exhibit. The fair must stand alone in its unique originality. Yet those who love artistic novelty will find it in Paris in 1900.

To begin with there will be a street of theatres, named "Rue Paris." In these delightful pleasure-houses, which will be small and yet elaborately supplied with scenery and accessories, will be presented plays by living French dramatists under the direction of the playwrights themselves. This will enable the student to study contemporaneously, the writers of French plays.

Another unique feature will be a realistic trip from Paris to Constantinople. This is to be brought about through an elaboration of the principle involved in the kinetoscope; and the visitor, while sitting comfortably in a chair, can see moving before him the chief scenes of an actual journey from Paris to Constantinople. It will not be as interesting as the reality; but it will come as near to it as the wonderful inventive genius of the dying century can make it, and will be cheaper and a thousand times more comfortable and speedy. The magicians, with their wonderful magic carpets, will have to look to their laurels.





TWO PALACES OF THE FRENCH EXPOSITION.

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Germany's Barracks for Its War Heroes.

HOW THE VETERANS LIVE

The Walls Made Famous by the Soldiers of European Wars.

Berlin.—In the year 1747 Frederic II, the great king, then called Young Fritz, laid the corner stone of "The Home for Invalid Soldiers" in a dreary plain of sand, destitute of beauty and fertility, on the banks of the Spree. Noble was the purpose and the sandy desert has blossomed as the rose. Here the institution still flourishes, and here it still preserves the old traditions of Prussia's greatness.

"We must provide for our old friends, the soldiers," was said by the great king, more than one hundred and fifty years ago. His words were followed by the founding of an institution which still exists, and in which are still preserved the traditions of Prussia's great days.

A secure and comfortable retreat, another Sans Souci; the king desired to create for the faithful followers who had risked life and limb for him, and Prussia. There they have lived, each according to his years, cultivating their land, in rest and peace.

Many have been the changes among the dwellers of the institution, which at first was built upon the sandy meadow land, then later stood amidst blooming gardens, and to-day rises in the heart of the great bustling city of Berlin.

After the last war the institution could scarcely hold the number entitled to admission, and it is to be hoped that their number will not increase, for the great gates open only to reserve within its walls when Mars rules without its gates.

The building is three stories in height, and one hundred and seventy feet in length. It is a little world living and existing behind thick walls and iron grating, with the impress of another age upon it.

It would require but little effort to imagine oneself among veterans of Leuthen and Roszbach, brandishing their canes while their powdered queues dance upon their backs; to hear soldiers of Katzbach and Leipsic talking of Blucher and Shornhorst. Now another generation, and the bearers of other names are seen on the white painted doors leading to the dwellings; those who storme the Duppler intrenchments, those who fought at Koniggratz or stood the fire of Chassepots and Mitrailleuse. Then they were young and strong; now they are earnest and feeble, white haired, gray-bearded men, living with their families, or alone, in bachelor quarters with their memories. Seldom is the foot of a visitor heard—and peace reigns everywhere.

Between the buildings lies the cannon yard. There among the shaded avenues the cannon lift their long silent mouths threateningly in the air. Once a week, however, gay life holds sway under the lindens when the band of the regiment gives a concert in honor of the veterans. Then all the members of the community, young and old meet to laugh and dance away the solemn stillness of the place, while through the great iron gateway, over which from a marble column, the Prussian eagle stands guard, gazes the curious outer world. Then the veterans as though in dreams, listen again to the music that lured them in years gone by, to the battle field. Wives chat of their household affairs, children laugh and dance in the sunshine, young girls in tennis blouse jest and flirt, so that even the veterans of three campaigns yonder, becomes infected with the merriment of the hour. The sunbeams keep up their golden play through the green leaves, and sparkle and flash up on the helmet of the drum major. Then the trumpet again sounds the signal to attack, and again the spirit of battle leads the veteran to the Iron dance—Fatherland—to victory—and, at last, "The Invalid Soldiers' Home."

When the weather is pleasant veterans may be seen in the individual gardens cultivating berries, roses, salad and potatoes under the ancient trees c[illegible] friends.

On the life of these men, there is an element of sadness, but it is a factor which belongs to the life of a German soldier, which one must have stand to comprehend these men and their destiny. No truer, nobler be[illegible] exist, however, than these same veterans, who have sacrificed fortune and health for the Fatherland.

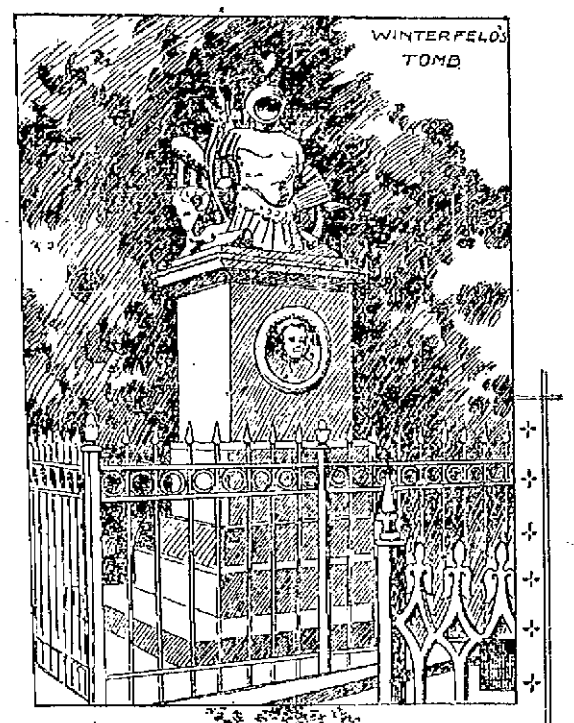
When one sees these veterans at roll-call, their breasts decorated with cross and ribbon, not one of which has been gained at court, or princely castle, but on the field of battle, when one sees them bowed and bent, on crutches, blind, scarred, then one feels the deepest reverence.

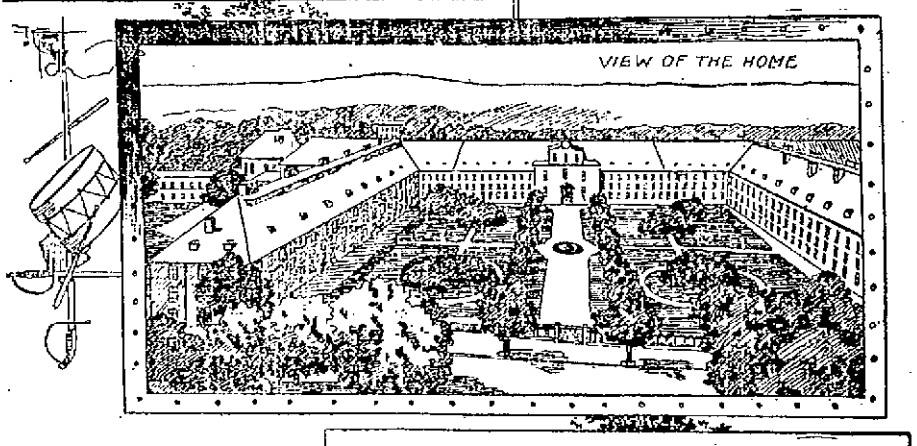
In the Casino in the morning, only the married men meet to drink the health of the great Emperor under his portrait. At mess old anecdotes of old campaigns go the rounds and jests from the different military journals enliven the messes.

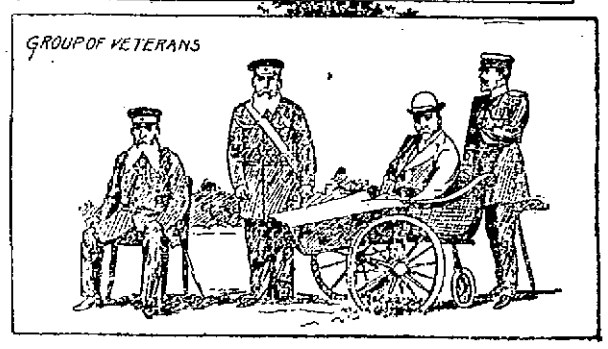
Some distance, in the rear of the institution, covering two and a half acres, is the graveyard of the invalid soldiers. Many a celebrated name may be read in epitaph, on this field of honor. There lie the two great heroes in the "War for Freedom" Scharnhoust, and Frederic Friesen, of Lutzow. Close by them is Winterfeld's grave, the friend of Frederic the Great—so reads the inscription on the base of the monument. This sacred place is watched and tended as though it were a garden.

And there, dreaming under the lindens, which Frederic the Great himself planted, many a veteran dreams of the hour when the call which is followed by no reveille, for him, will sound—for the last mustering in Walhalla.

There are 100 different ways of preparing potatoes for the table.







WHERE THE GERMAN VETERAN RESTS.

The Story of the Monogram of Christ.

Pictures That Throw Light On "Quo Vadis."

SYMBOL OF THE FISH,

With "Quo Vadis" still stirring the world, the story of the Christian emblem or monogram, as developed by the most recent researches, becomes a subject of unusual interest. The actual use of the words whose initial letters from the Greek word for fish (ichthus) were first used, it is asserted in 83 B. C., when the Cumaean Sibyl in the Temple of Jupiter at Rome predicted the coming of one "Jesous Chreistos Theou Uios Soter;" or freely translated, "Jesus Christ, Son of God, and Saviour of Men." This famous sybilline oracle has been put into acrostic form as follows:

Judgment impends. Lo! the earth reeks with sweat;
He, the destined king of future ages, comes;
Soon he descends—the Judge in human form;
On speeds the God—his friends and foes behind him.
Vengeance he wears, enthroned with his holy ones.
Turn to the guilty, burning in endless flames.
O'er hidden deeds of darkness no veil shall be spread.
Sinners to their God will reveal their secret thoughts.
There will be a bitter wailing, there they gnash with their teeth.
Even clouds veil the sun; the stars their chorus cease;
O'er our heads the heavens roll not,—the lunar splendors fade.
Underneath the mountains lie; the valleys touch the sky.
See how the dead assume their ancient forms.
Choked with thorny hedges lies waste this weary world;
Ruined are their idol gods; they scorn their heaps of gold.
Even land and sea and sky shall raging fire consume.
His penetrating flames shall burst the gates of hell.
Shining in light behold the saints immortal.
Unknown the heights or depths of man—since all shall prostrate lie.
In the ocean's dark gulf sink the mountains and the plains.
Order casts away her empire; creation ends in chaos.
Swollen rivers and leaping fountains are consumed in flames.
Shrill sounds the trumpet; its blast rends the sky.
O fearful are the groanings, the sorrows of the doomed.
Tartarean chaotic depths the gaping earth reveals.
Earth's vaunted monarchs shall stand before their Lord.
Rivers of sulphur roll along and flames descend the sky.

In the sign first given in the illustration only the initiated would be likely to recognize the well-known sign which stands for Pisces in the zodiac, the sign which marks the completion of the winter solstice and the beginning of the vernal equinox. Fewer still are aware that both are variants or conventionalized descendants from a remarkable Christian symbol, including three fishes formed into a triangle, and having engraved on it the words as shown in the second illustration. What is very likely the original of this peculiar sign occurs in a talisman which is said to be in possession of Lady Ellenborough, of England. It is of the third or fourth century and is known as a "Messianic" amulet. It is a green stone, of a pentagonal form, having engraved at the bottom a fish, above it Solomon's seal, and still higher the Chaldaic letters, Jod, He, Vau, He, forming the name of the Deity and commonly translated "Jehovah," but running from below upward, so as to form the Egyptian Tau."

That there are other fish traditions that lend peculiar interest to the Christ emblem. In several of the Sanskrit books, the story is told of how the god Vischnu assumed the form of a fish during the deluge in order to save the Vedas, or sacred writings, from destruction; it was also Vischnu who enabled the Indian Noah to escape by the construction of an ark; and he also taught those who survived the Deluge the "lost arts," so to speak, of house building, agriculture, etc. And to round out this legendary series, we have the story of Oannes, the Babylonian fish-god, who appeare after the Deluge and did precisely the same things as the Phoenician Dagon, with the addition that he rose from the sea every morning and returned to it every night (practically a "Sun myth").

Now, the fish-god, or fish-man, reappears in the New Testament in the person of "Joshua, the son of Nun," who succeeded Moses in the command of the Israelites—for "Nun" is the Hebrew word for "fish."

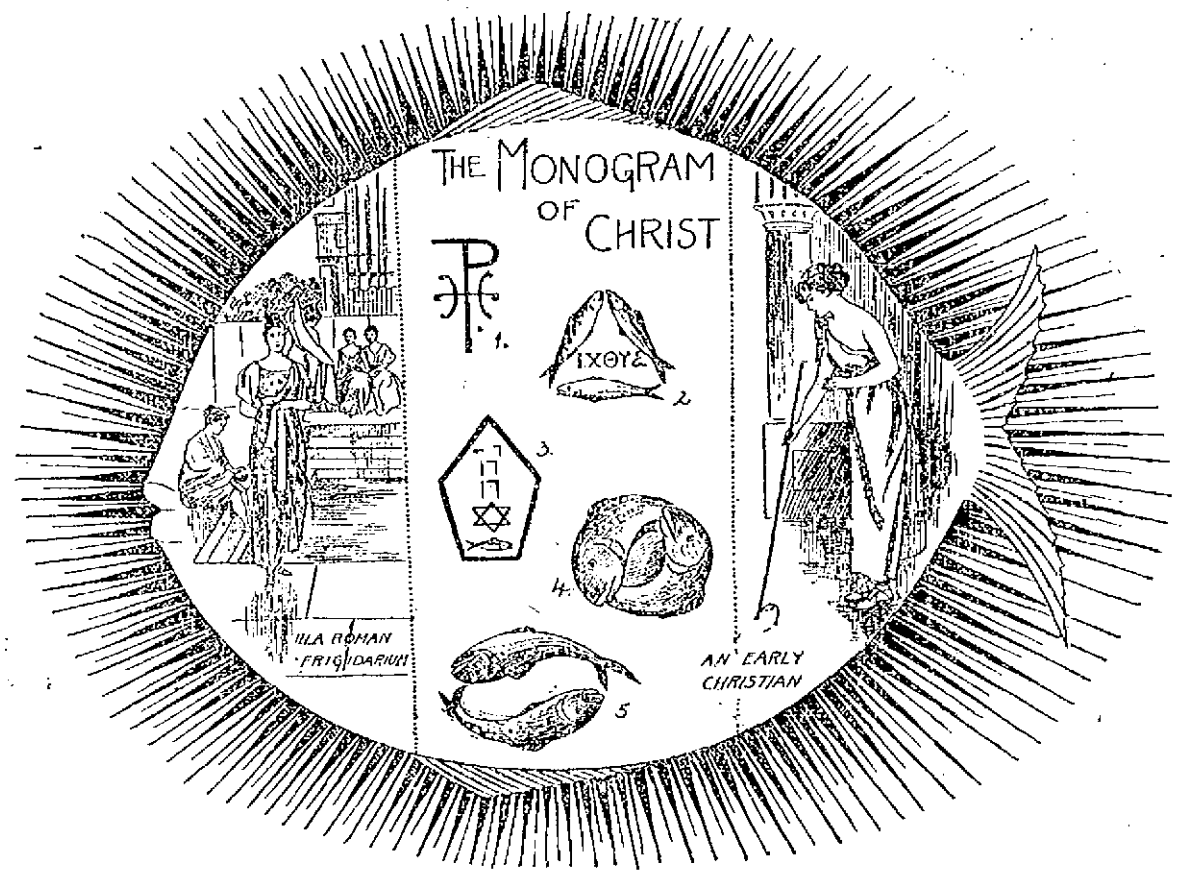
Abrabanel was an eminent and scholarly Jewish rabbi, who lived in Lisbon in the middle of the fifteenth century, and was driven into Spain with the rest of the Jews, by King John, in 1492. He was celebrated for his wisdom as well as his erudition, and he explained the ichthyic mystery with regard to the Savior by stating that "the sign of the coming of the Messiah is the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the sign "Pisces." In this connection, it may be remarked that a poem by Jennie Morrison, called "The Magi" begins with the following lines, supposed to be spoken by the aged Melchior:

"Saturn and Jupiter in Pisces joined
In watery trigon; to them added Mars
In fire;—is it not so, Balthasar mine?
Seven hundred years and ninety-four, four months,
Twelve days, since that conjunction last; and then
It shone to tell great Babylonia's birth.
Somewhat it now portends; I wot not what."

And then he turns the matter over to Caspar, and the "three wise men" consult upon that journey, which eventually led them, lighted by "the Star of Bethlehem," to the little Judaean town, the stable, the manger—and the Christ.

On certain ancient monuments in Mexico there has been found a curious symbol illustrating this subject; and, while the Toltecs had a tradition that they descended from a people—evidently the Israelites—Lord Kingsborough discovered in the Aztec language a very remarkable similarity to the Hebrew. En passant, it may be remarked that the Mexicans have their own flood legends, the counterpart of those of Genesis, and of Berosus, the Chaldee narrator, and numbers four and five show their religious emblem.

With regard to the conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn in Pisces, it will come very near happening in 1904, hence there are those who predict for that year either the second coming of Christ or the world's destruction.



THE PICTORIAL STORY OF THE FISH.

PECULIAR THINGS ABOUT PEOPLE.

"The bone solo," remarked an old minstrel performer, "though once very popular, is regarded as a hoodoo in the burnt cork profession, and is never allowed any more under any circumstances. It is feared as much as the yellow clarionet, which, according to the superstitions of the show business, is one of the most fatal things that exist. The yellow clarionet not only induces bad—that is, poor—business, but in addition to this it causes trouble among performers, producers railroad accidents, and, in short, it wrecks performers and companies up. There was a time in the minstrel business when it was just as natural to have a bone solo played by some performer during the evening as it was to have a ballad sung, and the public took as kindly to one as it did the other. There was scarcely any difference between bone solos. They all sounded about the same and the imitations were always stereotyped. Haverly first put the ban on bone solos, and one of the clauses in the contracts he made with performers was that they would not under any circumstances while they were in his employ, either in private or public, attempt a bone solo. No minstrel performer can explain where the hoodoo comes in, but they fear it worse than any of the other omens of bad luck."—Wilmington Star.

It takes the tusks of over 75,000 elephants a year to supply the world's piano keys, billiard balls and knife handles.

A man can lose his head without being beheaded.

POSSIBLY NOT TO BLAME.

Mr. Jenks (who likes Miss Constance)—No, I assure you, Miss Constance, I have never indulged in flirtation.
Miss Constance (who does not care for Mr. Jenks)—Ah, perhaps you have never had any encouragement.

ONLY WAY OUT OF IT.

"Isn't it tiresome! I've just got a lovely new bicycle, and now my doctor absolutely forbids me to cycle! What would you advise me to do?"
"Change your doctor."

Making Up Her Mind.

"Why, Ethel, what are you doing with that big medical work in your lap?"

"Well, Arabella, you'd never guess, I am quite sure."

"You are not going to make a physician of yourself, are you?"

"Not at all. I am trying to find out which of my two suitors I love enough to marry. What do you think of that?"

"How can a cyclopaedia of medicine help you?"

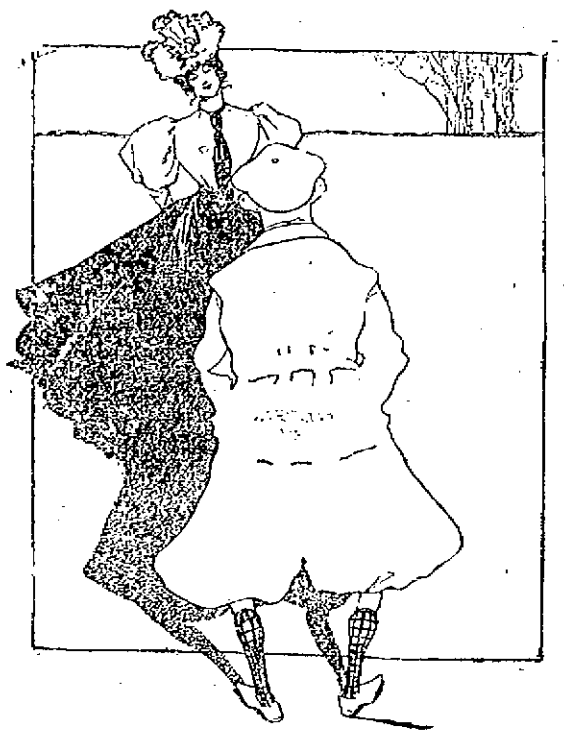
"Well, it's this way. Mr. Spondulicks is fifty-seven years of age. He is worth £20,000, and has consumption. Mr. Dukkats is sixty-five years old. He is worth £20,000, and has consumption. gout. I thought perhaps this medical book would help me to make up my mind. I have about decided that I love Mr. Dukkats the better. Which would you love?"

Not long ago we thought it strange to find a crowing hen, but in this funny age of change most women would be men.

The girls who took our hearts by storm and made us bow to fate, now tell us love is not good form, and marriage out of date.

So as we live where bloomers bring no blush of modest shame, they used to want a diamond ring, but now a diamond frame.

BIASED.



She—Yes; they say there's a fool in every family. Don't you think so?
He—Er—Well, you see, I'm the only member of the family.

A SAD CATASTROPHE.

(1) The Goat: "A musical-box they call this, do they? Well, I dunno what that is, but I'll soon sample it.

(2) "Great scissors! wotever have I struck. Is it 'Tom Bowling' I hear?—Yes, it's 'Tom Bowling.' De-e-ar me!!! (Does a weep).

(3) "Ah, that's better—'Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay.' Good old 'Ta-ra-ra.' Wot's next, I wonder?——

(4) "'Dead March'—That's a settler, and no mistake. I knew I was a chump to eat a thing like that. Order my coffin at once, somebody."

His Frightful Predicament.

He walked up and down the room, gesticulating excitedly and saying uncomplimentary things about his rival.

"Talk about being between the devil and the deep sea!" he exclaimed. "Talk about the problem of the lady or the tiger! Why, this is a thousandfold worse than either!"

"What is it?" they asked.

"My rival has been carrying false stories about me to the girl I love!" he cried.

They laughed.

"Is that all?" they said. "Well, it wouldn't take any of us long to decide what we would do under those circumstances."

"He has insulted me in her presence," he went on bitterly.

"And what did you do?" they asked.

"Nothing," he answered. "I was powerless."

Again they laughed scornfully, and made merry jest at his expense.

"Powerless!" they said, "you, a large, strong man, powerless! A man calmly steps in and carries away your lady love, in addition to insulting you, and you claim to be powerless!"

"What would you have me do?" he inquired.

"At least," they insisted, "you could thrash him within an inch of his life; you could resent an insult by pounding him until he would figure principally as a nonentity for the next six or eight weeks."

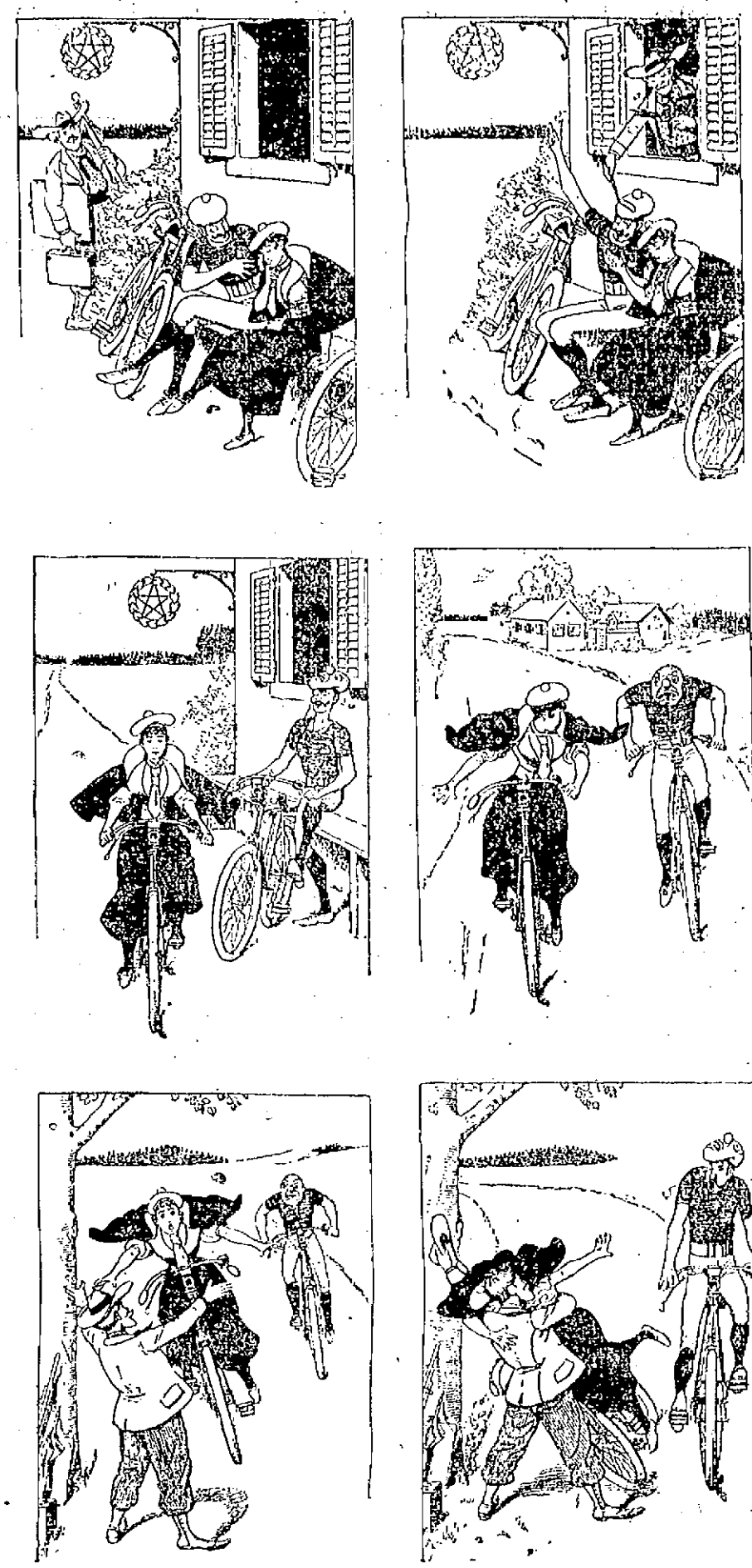
"Alas!" he moaned, "he carries both accident and life insurance in the company that I represent."

Then they realized that the young insurance agent spoke truly, when he referred to the lady, the tiger, the devil and the deep sea.

UNPACIFIED.

"Don't be afraid, my little dear; he won't hurt you. Don't you see he is wagging his tail?"
"Boo-hoo-hoo! but it ain't that end I'm afraid of."

THE ARTIST AS A RIVAL IN LOVE; OR, BEATEN THROUGH GROUNDLESS FEAR.



A FLY IN THE MUSICAL OINTMENT.

One of the disadvantages of performing at a country house in the wasp season (just in the most important passage, too).

THOSE TREACHEROUS MATS.

Act I.

Act II.
Act III.

Act IV.
Act V.

Act VI.

"Mr. Higgamore," said Miss Quickstep, firmly and distinctly, interrupting him, "you have called me a 'lump of sweetness' a great many times, but you have never said you would like to have me regularly with you morning coffee."

Whereupon Mr. Higgamore proposed. There was no way of escape.

A DESPERATE THREAT.
From Ally Sloper.

Boy—'Ere, let go, Miss; 'else I lets yer forl to the ground.

THE UNIQUE AND THE ODD.

A stranger, walking along a country road, met an Irishman, who was holding a ram by the horns, when the following conversation took place:—

"Will you hold this ram," said the Irishman, "while I climb over and open the gate from the other side?"

"Certainly," said the obliging stranger, as he seized the ram by the horns.

"Thanks," said the Irishman, when he got to the other side, "the vicious brute attacked me about an hour ago, and we have struggled ever since. As long as you stand before him holding his horns, he can't hurt you. Farewell, I hope you will be as lucky in getting away as I have been."

Lord Palmerston and Bishop Wilberforce were staying at a country house, and when Sunday came round, Lord Palmerston offered the bishop a lift to church. The bishop declined and proceeded on foot, but was overtaken by rain. When Lord P. passed in his carriage, he mockingly said:

"How blessed is he who ne'er consents by ill advice to walk!"

To which the bishop promptly answered:

"Nor stands in sinners' ways, nor sits where men profanely talk."

Mr Cross—That baby across the way seems to inherit its voice from both its parents.

Mrs. Cross—Why do you think so, dear?

Mr. Cross—It makes a great deal of noise like its father and keeps it up like its mother.—Boston Traveler.

Visitor—"I don't see why you can allow your son to flirt so outrageously with that pretty servant girl."

Hostess—"Sh-h! Her father is at Klondyke, and next summer he may be richer than any of us."

Fuddy—What has it to do with the case that the new doctor has lots of money?

Duddy—Everything, my dear boy. The man who is well heeled ought to be able to stamp out disease if anybody can do it.—Boston Transcript.

A man can lose his head without being beheaded.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON.

Southern Division.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5 45	6 50	6 00	*7 07
6 21	7 40	6 23	7 46
6 42	7 55	6 43	*7 55
*7 04	8 05	7 55	9 10
*7 20	8 10	*8 30	10 10
7 35	8 15	*9 10	*9 58
*7 35	8 50	9 10	*10 25
*7 45	8 37	10 17	11 35
*8 50	9 43	10 45	11 58
9 15	10 33	11 30	*12 07
9 43	10 45	12 03	*12 05
11 00	12 04	*1 00	1 38
*11 42	12 55	2 03	3 04
*12 16	1 05	*3 00	*3 26
1 43	2 50	3 47	5 03
3 00	4 25	4 14	*5 30
*3 53	4 35	*5 00	6 45
4 25	5 30	5 38	6 35
*5 22	6 18	5 47	6 57
5 14	7 10	6 14	7 33
*6 22	7 05	*7 30	*8 03
*7 40	8 50	*8 00	*8 35
		10 15	11 22
		*11 20	12 53

Sunday Trains.

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
*7 20	8 10	2 15	*3 05
*7 25	8 15	9 00	*10 07
8 45	9 50	1 00	*1 57
*9 10	10 10	6 00	*6 50
*4 25	5 22	7 00	*8 18
*5 35	7 00	8 00	*8 35
		9 00	10 05

Western Division.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
*6 00	8 03	7 30	8 31
8 15	9 16	9 25	10 37
9 23	10 32	10 23	11 40
10 30	12 02	11 00	1 08
12 03	1 37	2 15	3 19
12 45	1 38	3 40	*4 56
2 30	3 44	*4 23	*5 45
3 20	4 22	5 01	6 20
4 05	5 23	6 01	7 13
5 10	6 19	6 35	7 45
*6 05	7 20	9 40	10 37
7 00	*8 05	11 15	12 51
9 25	10 23		

Sunday Trains.

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8 15	9 37	8 00	9 17
12 05	1 26	11 15	12 58
4 15	5 25	6 00	6 25
5 30	6 55	7 00	8 22
7 25	8 45		

Trains by this division leave Lowell from Middlesex street station.

Leave Boston from the new Union Station, Causeway Street.

* Express.

§ From Middlesex St. Station only.

‖ Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

SLEIGHS

For sale cheap. Pung and traverse runner. J H. Barry, 49 Market street.

A HOT DRINK AT DICKSON'S.

A good thing at this season, "Hershey's Celebrated Cocoa" served free at our store this week. Call in and sample. Dickson Bros. Big Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Domiion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada bills bought at Murphy's citizenship Agency, 18 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

"Coal is about out." Ring up W. E. Livingston's office, 15 Thorndike street, and order more.

BURN WILSON'S COAL.

A trial of Roarke & Sullivan's coal will insure satisfaction. Telephone, 713-2. Prompt delivery.

Watches cleaned $1.00. Mainsprings, $1.00. A1 work. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

The Highland Club Juvenile Comedy company gave a colonial entertainment at the club house yesterday afternoon. There were 150 children in the performance.

Messrs. Ring & Company, 221 Dutton street, are offering big bargains in Sewing Machines. Their stock comprises all the leading makes from $16.00 up. Cash or credit and take old machines in exchange. It will pay you to call and see them.

THIRTY YEARS MARRIED.

At their residence, 100 Marginal street, from 4 to 10 p. m., yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. Appleton B. Sawtelle observed the 30th anniversary of their marriage. Among those present were Rev. C. L. Merriam and others from the Highland Congregational church, a number of the members of Highland Union lodge, D. of R., and friends from out-of-town. Refreshments were served and a merry time had. The worthy couple were congratulated and among the presents received was a landscape picture from shopmates of Mr. Sawtelle at the Gas Works. There were also many articles of silverware.

CLOGSTON WON

In the Knock-Out Tournament at Highland Club.

GROVER, HIS OPPONENT IN THE FINALS.

The Vespers Win at Pin Polo.

It was a gala day at the Highland club yesterday afternoon. A series of contests between members of the Highland, Vesper, and Bankers' clubs proved an exciting feature. In the knock-out bowling tournament, sixteen pairs rolled and after four series, the finals were rolled by Clogston and Grover with the following result:

Clogston	193	160	353
Grover	180	167	347

The final match was concluded at 10.30 o'clock, after which Charles H. Goddard presented the prizes as follows:

First prize—Dress suit case, Clogston of the Bankers, knocker-out of them all.

Second prize—Fishing rod, Grover of Vespers, the runner-up.

Third prize—Silver stein, J. K. Whittier of the Vespers, highest two-string total—410.

Fourth prize— Gilt framed picture, Hartwell, Highlands, defeated bowler making highest two-string total in the first round—358.

Fifth prize—A Percub pocket knife, Dickerman, Highlands, highest single string—222.

At 6 o'clock there was an hour for luncheon, the D. L. Page company catering.

PIN POLO.

Begining at 9.30 o'clock last night, after the "knock-out" bowling tournament at the Highland club house was nearing its end, the pin polo teams of the Vespers and Highlands played a match of two 30-minute halves.

The result stood 40 to 28 at the close in favor of the Vespers.

The make-up of the teams was as follows:

Vespers—F. S. Bean, James Thorpe, A. G. Swapp and A. G. Stiles.

Highlands—G H. Runels, F. O. Davis, F W. Lazell and M. T. Pierce.

Regulate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C C C fail, druggists refund money.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 51 MERK ST.

REV. FR. JOYCE

Entertained the Immaculate Conception Choir

AT THE COLONIAL FESTIVAL LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Bennett and A. C. Thompson Present.

The Colonial Festival closed last night with an attendance that crowded the various rooms and halls in the Y. M.C.I. building.

Rev. Fr. Joyce had as his guests at supper during the evening, the members of the Immaculate Conception church choir. Mayor Bennett also came with Rev. Fr. Joyce, and was heartily welcomed. A. G. Thompson, who has always been a great friend to the hospital, had a party of friends at supper.

The choir sang patriotic airs, and then there was a brief and excellent program arranged by Miss Emma E. Cooke. The Amphion quartette—Messr. Osmond Long and H. Stocks, tenors, and Bert. Preston and Alex. Kerr, basses, sang "The Boston Tea Party," and "Fishing on Sunday," and made a great hit. Miss Blanche Dextra's dance was exceedingly graceful and was well received. There was a capital whistling solo by William Mulcahy. Songs were well given by Ethel Wilson and Helen Clark; and recitations by Blanche Marshall and Mamie Gilligan were creditable to the young readers and pleasing to their auditors.

Many gathered in the hall downstairs and had the pleasure of hearing Fr. Joyce sing, "The Minstrel Boy." Whist was played. At the first seance, Mrs. Duval and Miss Hogan took the first prizes, while Mrs. A. J. Dunne and Miss Lizzie Lawler the second. At the afternoon sitting, Miss Duval and Miss Doherty won the first prizes and Miss O'Donnell and Miss Jennie Fay the second prizes.

The bowling alleys and pool tables also tendered by the young men of the institute, were in constant us, and yielded quite a neat sum for the general fund.

ESTHER, THE QUEEN.

The Billerica Glee club sang the cantata, "Esther, the Beautiful Queen," before a large audience in the town hall at Billerica Centre. The principal parts were taken by the following:

Ahasuerus, George P. Greenwood; Queen Esther, Mrs. D. Moyer Staley; Haman, D. Moyer Staley; Mordecai, Herbert H. King; Zeresh, Mrs. George P. Greenwood; Mordecai's sister, Miss Bertha Holden; prophetess, Miss Louise Hawes; scribe, Edgar D. Hardy; beggar, Charles Beck; Hegal, Sidney A. Bull; high priest, Natt. H. Hutchins; herald, Charles Beck; Harbonah, Harry K. King; Zeresh's child, Myrtle King; Zeresh's attendants, Lottie Cowdry, Edith Hawes; Persian princess ,Myra Bigelow; Median princess, Mabelle Cowdry.

SEIZED WITH CONVULSIONS.

Patrick McShea of Suffolk street was seized with convulsions on Broadway while on his way to work this morning and was taken to St. John's hospital.

THERE ARE OTHERS.

Plenty of Them, but So Different—Lowell Proof is What Lowell People Want.

There are a great many of them.
Every paper has its share.
Statements hard to believe, harder to prove.
Statements from far away places.
What people say in Maine.
Public expression from California.
Oftimes good endorsement there.
But of little service here at home.
Lowell people want local proof.
The sayings of neighbors, friends, and citizens.
Home endorsement counts.
It disarms the skeptic, is beyond dispute.
This is the backing that stands behind every box of
Doan's Kidney Pills; here is a case of it.

Mr. Thomas Burke, of 12 Garnet street, endorses Doan's Kidney Pills in this way: "Kidney complaint troubled me for many years," he says. "Long ago, I was compelled to apply for help to a physician, and I was under treatment from no less than five. I tried all kinds of plasters, lotions, and liniments, but none of them gave me more than temporary relief from backache, dizziness, headache, difficulty with the kidney secretions and a constant feeling of lassitude. At last I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Ellingwood & Co.'s, Merrimack and Central streets, and the result was, I had not a symptom of the old trouble. All the pains disappeared; the urinary derangement was entirely corrected. I shall always keep Doan's Kidney Pills by me and will always recommend them as I have already done. I am only too glad to do it."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

Get More and You Get Less

Why is it every sarsaparilla which tries to sell itself, ranges itself against Ayer's as the standard? Why is it that all have to offer extra inducements—bigger bottles, fancy wrappers, cheaper price—anything, everything, but the one inducement of quality? Quality tells.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

has never been equaled by any cheap imitation of it.

"I have sold Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla for more than twenty-five years, and have never heard anything but words of praise from my customers. A preparation must possess great merit to maintain such a reputation. I believe your sarsaparilla to be the best blood purifier. I often hear other manufacturers say that this is "as good as Ayer's." They always set Ayer's up as the standard of excellence." — S. F. Boyce, Duluth, Minn.

A TESTIMONIAL

Presented to A. G. Cumnock Yesterday Afternoon.

BY DEPARTMENT HEADS OF BOOTT MILLS.

Expressions of Their High Esteem.

There was a pleasant gathering in the agents' office in the Boott mills counting room yesterday afternoon.

It was a happy occasion for A. G. Cumnock, who has retired from the agency of the mills and one of surprise also.

He received a message requesting his presence at the counting room at 4 o'clock.

Believing it was a matter of business that called him there, he made haste to obey the request, and upon his arrival found rather an unusual gathering. Seated about were the heads of the departments of the mills who pleasantly greeted Mr. Cumnock when he entered. His previous consultations with the mill overseers had been individually rather than as a body, so that he was taken by surprise upon noting the presence of them all at the same time. Paymaster Marshall was there too, and when Mr. Cumnock had been seated, he addressed him as follows:

Mr. Dear Mr. Cumnock—Knowing my inability to make a speech, these few of your many friends at the Boott Cotton mills have nevertheless asked me to invite you to meet them here this afternoon and in their behalf extend to you their hearty good wishes, and kindly greetings. After thirty years' connective service as agent of the Boott Cotton mills, you have seen fit to resign the position so long held by you, with the idea of enjoying a well-earned rest, a vacation from toil here. But there are others who know a good thing when they see it, and you were not allowed time to get used to your new conditions before you were again called to put op the armor and guide a sister corporation in our city to success. But before leaving these mills, where you have inbored for so long a time, it is our wish to convey to you in tangible for msome slight token of our esteem for you—something which, as the years roll on, will bring to you happy reminders of your pleasant associations at these mills. In behalf of those now assembled here, allow me to present you this testimonial which will speak for itself."

The testimonial was grandly engrossed in sheepskin and elegantly mounted in a gold frame. It read as follows:

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 29, 1898.

Mr. Alexander C. Cumnock:

Dear Sir—We, the undersigned, heads of departments of the Boott Cotton mills, desire to express to you the high esteem and sincere good will that has been cultivated by our association with you in your official capacity as agent, and we trust, with the help of Almight God, you may live long to enjoy the fruits of your well earned successful business career.

Signed—E. E. Reed, J. G. Marshall, S. Lawley, F. Scott, W. F. Rice, R. S. Holt, W. Houston, W. Hounsell, B. French, J. M. Butler, J. Kincaid, D. W. Smith, A. E. Johnston, G. H. Clark, F. Allen, R. W. McAllister, G. F. Payne J. W. Needham, H. Hetau.

Mr. Cumnock was greatly surprised. His response to the hearty wishes was in the form of congratulations to the overseers for their grand service to the mills during his administration. He assured them all that he appreciated their kind sentiments and thanked them kindly for their remembrance.

Call at the The Sun office when you are in want of rent receipts. We have them put up in book form, one hundred receipts to a book at 25 cents each.

First class job printing done at this office.

Louis Tanty

formerly Chef of Napoleon III and the Imperial family of Russia, says:

"I will never think of preparing for myself frying fat so long as I will be able to get Cottolene, and I firmly believe that there is no neutral frying material except the most expensive and pure olive oil, equal to Cottolene for frying purposes."

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is pure vegetable oil combined with choice beef suet, and is healthful, appetizing, digestible. Endorsed by eminent physicians, and recommended by cooking experts as in every way preferable to lard or animal fat.

The genuine Cottolene is sold everywhere in one to ten pound pails, with our trade-mark—"Cottolene" and steer's head in cotton-plant wreath—on every pail. Not guaranteed if sold in any other way. Made only by

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The Bon Marche

CLOSED!

Our store closed on account of FIRE. We are now awaiting the Insurance adjustment by the underwriters which will occur today. Tomorrow we will open up again at 9.30 o'clock, sharp, when without much ado

A GREAT SALE

On all goods damaged by Fire, Smoke and Water, together with a large Surplus Stock of Perfect and Seasonable Merchandise. This will be an unprecedented opportunity and should be taken advantage of by all. We anticipate quite a gathering, therefore, have employed additional help to our already large staff. Thursday, Tomorrow, A. M., at 9.30 o'clock, the Sale will begin.

EVERYBODY COME!

Bon Marche Dry Goods Co.

THE PRICE MAKERS.

ABOUT $1,500,000

Is the Amount Estimated for Annual Appropriations.

A BIG CUT IN THE PAUPER DEPARTMENT.

The City Treasurer Will Get $10,000.

There was another session of the appropriation committee last night, and as a result, the following estimates were agreed upon: $80,000 for the pauper department; $45,000 for the widows' relief; and $35,000 for the outdoor relief; $10,000 for the city treasurer's department. The amount given the pauper department is $10,000 less than the Mayor's estimate, and $28,539.04 below the department's estimate.

The total appropriation of the committee is about a million and a half, and is several hundreds of dollars below that appropriated last year.

Fine job printing done at this office.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Old and Reliable Cures Colds Quick

For over forty years it has been used and proved to cure the most stubborn lung or bronchial colds. It soothes and heals quickly, preventing serious development. It does not upset the stomach.

MASTA'S PULMONIC BALSAM.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

TO RENT—A Boarding House, 32 rooms and 6 baths. Corp. has been a boarding house for years and is located near the corporations.

DONOVAN & MANSUR'S, Room 1, Swan Building, 36 Central street, Lowell, Mass. Telephone 400-f.

When baby bathes, Fairy Soap should form the basis of the bath. The most reliable soap you ever put in water.

FAIRY SOAP

is as pure as dew, white as snow, floats like a cork. The soap of the century.

Sold everywhere in 3 sizes, for the toilet, bath and laundry. Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago. St. Louis. New York.

Cook, Taylor & Co.,

CENTRAL STREET.

Black Dress Goods.

50 inch Black Sicilian Mohair, extra heavy, fine lustre, worth $1.00 a yard, only 50c. a yard.

45 inch Black Brilliantines, very fine, worth 75c. a yard, only 49c. a yard.

46 inch all wool Black Henrietta, German finish, extra heavy, worth 80c. a yard, only 49c. a yard.

42 inch all wool Black Poplin, the most popular fabric this season, a regular $1 quality for only 59c. a yard.

SPECIAL—10 pieces Silk Warp Henriettas, black, very fine, elegant finish, worth $1.50 a yard, examine this bargain at only $1.00 a yard.

Don't forget our Special Sale of Gent's White Shirts, worth 50c., for 25c. each.

BOOKS AT BARGAIN PRICES

Our Annual Clearance Sale of Books will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 23d, and will continue for one week. Our entire stock to be marked regardless of cost.

LAWLER, FASHIONABLE STATIONER AND BOOKSELLER,

79 MERRIMACK and 15 JOHN STREETS.

TELEPHONE, 373-4.

O'Donnell & Gilbride Co.

Merrimack, Palmer and Middle Streets.

Just Twenty-five Samples of Advanced Styles in

LADIES' TAILOR-MADE AND BLOUSE **SUITS**

exhibited in our Cloak Department for the first time today. A feature of our line of Suits is

EXCLUSIVE STYLES AND FABRICS

We cordially invite inspection today.

OUR NEW SILK WAISTS

commend themselves to every buyer for fit, workmanship and price.

Two special things we want to call your attention to: A large assortment of popular priced Silk Waists and a most exclusive line of high grade Novelty Silk Waists, which cannot be bought from competitors.

LADIES' SEPARATE SKIRTS

The increased demand for our Superior Fitting Skirts has encouraged us and in consequence we are showing a beautiful, large and varied assortment from the cheapest every day Skirt (but well made and nice fitting) to magnificent tailor made silk lined Skirts, made from the newest fabrics in use. Our prices range from

$1.50 to $25.00 Each.

Ladies' Wrappers and House Dresses

Cashmeres, Percales, Madras, Sateens and Prints.

Newest Fabrics, Latest Designs, Popular Prices, Reliable Workmanship

Our Wrappers are made full skirts and fit well over the hips. It will certainly be of interest to intending buyers to make a careful examination of our line of new Wrappers.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

ALL ALIVE ALIVE

THE PEOPLE ARE ALIVE TO THE FACT THAT THE SUN IS PRODUCED BY LIVE NEWSPAPERMEN AND IS THEREFORE A LIVE NEWSPAPER.

THE LOWELL SUN

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THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

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Pleasant Occasion Inaugurated Yesterday.

MANY CALLED TO EXTEND THEIR GREETINGS.

The Affair was a Grand Success.

Yesterday was one of Mayor Bennett's happiest days.

He inaugurated a custom that should be continued in succeeding years.

It was a public reception intended to serve as a medium for becoming acquainted with the people whose servant he is. For a starter and considering the weather, it was a success. The attendance of school children was quite large. At first they were rather diffident about going in. One little fellow, after passing along the line, came out, saying, "Gee! Maybe he didn't squeeze your hands!"

The remark called the Mayor's attention to the children and noticing they were backward, he said, "Come, children; don't be shy. Come in and let us see you."

The ladies were there too, and took part in the happy function.

The Mayor and aldermen received in the Mayor's reception room. The magnificent painting of Washington was placed at the end of the room, facing the fireplace.

Samuel W. Preston was the oldest person at the reception. He is 85 years of age, and after paying his respects to the Mayor and aldermen, he proceeded to enjoy the beauties of the reception room.

Dr. Sullivan L. Ward came in and on being presented, handed the Mayor a toy hatchet as a memento of the occasion.

James W. Bennett the second, grandson of the Mayor, was among the visitors. W. A. Mack, brother of Ex-Mayor Mack, said it was the first time he had been inside City Hall, and before leaving he made a tour of the building.

The only ex-mayor in attendance was the Hon. Chas. D. Palmer, Chas. I. Hood and Ed. B. Conant, the Mayor's closest friends, shook his hand very cordially.

All the office-holders came in during the reception. John C. Wilson, who would like to be mayor, extended the glad hand.

Judge Hadley came in rather late, but had the pleasure of meeting the receiving party.

Among those who called were:

Chas. D. Palmer, John C. Wilson, Chas. W. Brigham, Dr. Moses G. Parker, Prentiss Webster, E. D. McVey, Chas. H. Conant, J. H. Donnelly, Jacob Barron, Mr. Drapeau, Mr. Wilder, Mr. Hildreth, John W. Crawford, H. R. Rice, W. F. Curtin, Dr. Sullivan L. Ward, Dr. M. L. Thompson, Miss Midgeley, Miss Mislette, Wm. Mack, Mrs. Rivet, Chas. S. Littlefield, Miss Menard, Allen Hodge, Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Coburn, Mr. Mackey of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Paige, C. I. Hood, E. B. Conant, S. Foster Whipple, Lawrence Cummings, G. C. Brock, F. C. Wasley, C. W. Philbrick, Mrs. and Miss Dunn, City Solicitor Quin, C. H. Burnham, Robert G. Bartlett, Judge Lawton, Peter J. Brady, and many others.

DEATHS.

MacKENZIE—Murdock A. MacKenzie, aged 30 years, died Tuesday at St. John's hospital. He leaves a mother, three brothers, and a sister. The brothers are Kenneth J. MacKenzie of this city, John and Alexander of Sidney, N. S., and the sister, Anabelle, also resides in Sidney. The funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at the Edson cemetery chapel. Friends invited.

KENT—Mrs. Emma Kent, wife of Charles Kent, died early Monday morning at her late home in Pelham, N. H., aged 33 years. Deceased had been ill nearly a year.

KORSAKI—John Korsaki, child of Charles and Katheryne Korsaki, died last night at heir home, 19 Davidson street. The funeral took place this afternoon and interment was in Catholic cemetery.

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IN WASHINGTON PARTIES

The Social Season Was Joyously Brought to a Close.

All the Leading Halls of the City Occupied—Spindle City Circle, C. of F.—Charity Party and Other Social Events.

Washington's birthday was very generally observed last night and particularly so because it wound up the social season before the opening of Lent. In every hall in the city, there was a gathering of merry dancers, making the most of the last hours of mirth and revelry before entering upon the penitential season. In Associate hall, Spindle City Circle, Companions of the Forest danced. In Odd Fellows' hall, the Washington Charity party was held; in Prescott hall, the Washington Associates; in Hibernian hall, the Merrimack corporation employes had a surprise party; in Mechanics' hall, a cotillion under the direction of Miss Cunnock was enjoyed; in Highland hall, the M. S. P. held forth; at Elvin's hall, on Dutton street, a masquerade party was held, while a large number of private parties were enjoyed.

Spindle City Circle, Companions of the Forest, has a fine gathering in Associate hall last evening, in observance of the national holiday.

There were present about 250 couples, including officers of the local circles and courts.

The only decoration was on the stage where Florist McManmon had tastefully arranged some tall palms and potted plants in a screen work in front of the orchestra. Hibbard's orchestra played a delightful concert program, which was enjoyed by those who occupied the seats in the gallery and took no part in the dancing that followed.

Refreshments were served at tables arranged at the sides of the hall. This department was in charge of Mrs. Kate McQuade, Mrs. Mary Roark, Mrs. Helen McCourt, Mrs. Nellie Burns, and a corps of assistants.

The George Washington table was surmounted by a portrait of "The Father of His Country," and was decked in the national colors. Miss Kate McNamee and a corps of assistants were in charge.

At the lemonade table, the young ladies under the direction of Miss Nellie McGrade, were kept very busy. Dancing was the principal entertainment and Hibbard's orchestra furnished music. The officers were:

General manager, Miss Lizzie G. McNamee; assistant, Miss Annie Campbell; floor director, Thomas F. Quinn; assistant, Miss Minnie Counihan; chief aid, James, P. McAdams, M. D.; aids, Mamie Egan, James R. Sullivan, Michel Gilligan, Mrs. Annie Sullivan, Anna Tuttle, Katie McNamee, Annie Cluin, M. J. Hoar, William H. Harrigan, Katie Whalen, Nellie Sullivan, Mrs. Rosanna Bradley. Reception committee, Lilla O'Neil, Annie A. Cassidy, Mrs. Mary Rourke, Mrs. Helen McCort, Nellie McNulty, Mrs. McQuade, Mrs. Thornton, Mary Fyffe, Annie Beecher, Thomas M. Leeson, Mrs. Sarah Duane, Annie Twohey, Katie Twohey, Nellie McGrade, Hannah Enright, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Crane, Lizzie McCarthy, Cassie Breen, Stephen Flanagan. Miss Rose Ward, secretary of the committee, and Misses Lizzie Tardiff, Emma Farrell and Agnes Redding.

WARD TWO'S CHARITY.

The business men of ward two are not only charitable, but they understand the art of conducting a highly successful and enjoyable concert and dance. Last evening they wound up the social season before the coming of Lent and aided the poor of the ward by holding one of the best entertainments of the night in Odd Fellows' temple, Middlesex street. Preceding the dancing there was a fine musical and literary entertainment, a feature of which was the excellent reading contributed by Miss Mary Gertrude McKenzie, one of Lowell's most accomplished young readers. Miss McKenzie recited with much force and artistic grace the difficult patriotic selection, "Above the Clouds," or "The Army of the Cumberland," reading it most admirably and delighting her large audience to many of whom she appeared for the first time. She was encored and responded with a brief comic selection. Miss McKenzie's future in the art is assured. Another particularly enjoyable feature was the singing of Miss Nano Gallagher, the talented contralto of St. Peter's church choir, whose charming voice was heard in two selections. Miss McCaffrey appeared to advantage in two beautiful selections. She has few superiors in singing Irish melodies with their true pathos.

The other numbers were contributed by David Martin, Michael Gorman and James E. Donnelly.

The proceeds amounted to about $175. The officers were: General manager, John J. Keefe; assistant general manager, Peter H. Savage; floor director, Daniel E. Hogan; assistant floor director, John J. Hunt; treasurer, John J. Lonergan; chief aid, Edward J. O'Donnell.

CERCLE D'YOUVILLE.

The members of Cercle D'Youville, Companions of the Forest, held a delightful Mardi Gras festival in old Odd Fellows' hall, last evening, about 200 young people being present. Before the dancing there was a musical program, a feature of which was the singing of Mr. Arthur Gelly, one of Lowell's most popular tenors. Mr. Gelly has just returned from a six months' vaudeville engagement in the leading New York and Pennsylvania theatres, and his number was enthusiastically received. There were songs by Miss Evelyn Baril, banjo selections, Miss Roy; piano duet, Mrs. Mayhew and Mrs. Lambert. At the conclusion of the entertainment, dancing was begun, to the music of Miller's orchestra.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATES.

The Washington Associates held their first grand assembly in Prescott hall last evening. The Associates are young men of Centralville, and their friends turned out last night to make the first assembly a grand success. Eighty couples joined in the dance and enjoyed the pretty figures in the various dances. The Cadet orchestra furnished music, and the officers were as follows: General manager, John J. Costello; assistant Joseph P. Costello; floor director, Thomas M. McGinn; assistant, William H. Morrissey; chairman reception committee, John H. Nolan.

THE BURKES.

A cake walk was a feature of the Washington's Birthday party at the Burkes' hall last night. It was conducted by the Burke Temperance Institute. The hall was crowded with the merry dancers and when the cakewalkers marched to the floor they were received with applause. Four couples did the walking, which was as good as any ever seen here. The participants were Miss Morris and Mr. Hennessy, Charles Whalen and Miss McKenna, Wm. Kelleher and Frank O'Neil, the latter made up as a girl. Miss Etta

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LATEST

HE SHOT HIMSELF

Tragic Death of George W. Simmons,

PROPRIETOR OF "OAK HALL" IN BOSTON.

Shooting was Probably Due to Accident.

Lynn, Feb. 23.—George W. Simmons, manager of Oak Hall and one of the best known merchants of Boston, was found dying late this afternoon, in one of the rooms of the caretaker's house on his estate at Nahant. He died shortly afterward.

A rifle was found lying on his body and a bullet had entered his heart.

On his body were found only several business letters. There was no money in his pockets and even his watch was not in his vest pocket.

The caretaker of the estate, Charles Richard Smith, and his wife heard the report of the rifle and rushed into a side room, only to find Mr. Simmons lying on the floor in the throes of death.

They can throw absolutely no light on the matter. They say that there was nobody in the room with Mr. Simmons at the time the report was heard.

THREE SAILORS.

FROM THE ILL-FATED ASIA HAVE BEEN RESCUED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Provincetown, Feb. 25.—Three men of the British ship Asia, have been rescued by the crew of the Handkerchief lightship. They were taken from a piece of wreckage. They were adrift twenty-four hours and were greatly exhausted. The ship struck off Nantucket Monday night, and went to pieces. The captain and sixteen of the crew perished, together with the captain's wife and daughter.

LIBERTY PARTY MEETS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 23.—The national conference of the Liberty party meets here today. It will be the first step towards affiliation with the Populist party. Ten states are already represented.

THE COAL TRUST.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 23.—The Ohio coal trust has been perfected here under the name of the Central Coal and Coke company with a nominal capital of two hundred thousand. It is understood prices are to be raised at once.

AVALANCHE AT QUEBEC.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Quebec, Feb. 23.—Four lives were lost last night in an avalanche and two houses were destroyed. They were built under a cliff, which caved in without warning.

HANNA TALKS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Senator Hanna today denies emphatically the sensational reports that he believed a conflict with Spain inevitable. He says he believes the Maine disaster was due to accident, and that no war is likely.

TO INSPECT DEFENCES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, Feb. 23.—Major General Merritt, commander of the Department of the East, left today for inspection of the Atlantic coast defences. He says it is his annual inspection.

LYMAN CONFIRMED.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The senate yesterday confirmed these nominations

To be United States attorney—C. J. Hamblett, for the district of New Hampshire.

To be Collector of Customs—George H. Lyman district of Boston and Charlestown.

A FINE GIFT.

J. W. Kane, the retiring second hand of the Prescott frame spinning room, was agreeably surprised on reaching home on February 19, to find a beautiful couch, a gift from his shop mates.

Health Brought Back

Could Not Eat without Excruciating Pain

All Disagreeable Symptoms Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"I was taken with catarrh of the stomach. At times I had a ravenous appetite and at other times I could not eat anything. I suffered excruciating pain from what I ate. I bloated badly after eating and especially on arising in the morning, when I frequently had vomiting spells. I was running down so fast I had to stop work and I was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I did so and in a short time I commenced to feel better. I could eat without distress, the bloating disappeared and all the disagreeable symptoms of my trouble passed away. Hood's Sarsaparilla has brought back my health and today I am well and strong." MARY L. CUMMINGS, North Brookfield, Mass.

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SUN EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK.

NO FLAGS WAVED

From the City's Two Flag Poles.

ON THE COMMONS DURING THE HOLIDAY.

Supt. True Evidently Forgot the Day.

Supt. of Buildings True is apparently better versed in politics than in patriotism, for he showed a woeful lack of the latter yesterday in neglecting to fly the national colors from the city flag poles on the two commons.

On all holidays the flags are supposed to be floated from all public buildings and from the two flag poles on the north and south commons.

The two poles on the commons are under the charge of the superintendent of public buildings and with a trusty republican patriot holding the position it was surprising to those who live nearby to note that the holiday dawned without the flags in its honor.

There was much unfavorable comment upon the matter, for, as a veteran said, "Even an A. P. A. would know enough to float the American flag on Washington's birthday."

Just before sunset, some one told Supt. True of his neglect and he immediately hustled about and put up the flag on the north common, though he didn't believe it necessary to put up the south common colors evidently, for the flag pole wasn't even raised.

But then Mayor Bennett held a reception to prestige seekers and the public, and that made up for Mr. True's lack of patriotism.

If Mr. True should have any time between now and the 19th of April, it would be well for him to jot down in his diary these dates: April 19, May 30, June 17, and July 4, lest he forget that they are holidays when the flags should float on the breeze.

BIDDEFORD STRIKE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Biddeford, Me., Feb. 23.—A committee of strikers called upon Agent McArthur of Pepperill and Laconia mills this morning, and asked him to make a proposition for the opening of the mills and if he could set a time for the restoration of wages if the operatives go to work now under the reduction. The reply was that he would have no negotiations with anybody as long as the strike lasted. He would not open the gates, he said, until convinced that a majority of the operatives desired to work under the reduction.

LOVE AND WEALTH.

GIVEN BY C. J. SLOAT TO A TAUNTON GIRL.

Middletown, N. Y., Feb. 23.—The will of C. J. Sloat, who was found dead on Sunday last with many cuts about his body, leaves all his personal property and real estate, amounting to several thousand dollars, to Miss Annie M. King of Taunton, Mass.

An insurance policy of $2000 was made out by Sloat to Miss Annie M. King, as "my affianced wife." Miss King nursed Sloat's second wife previous to her death. Miss King was at the funeral yesterday, but was not accorded a seat with the mourners.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

MISERY AND DEATH

Are Rampant in Province of Matanzas.

REPORT OF NAVAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

Hundreds of Thousands are Now Starving.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Santiago de Cuba, Feb. 23—The Board of United States Naval Officers from the cruiser Montgomery, appointed to investigate the condition of the people at Matanzas reports that fourteen thousand people are absolutely without food and clothing within the city limits. Three thousand live in small huts of palm branches. Others live in the streets of the city, absolutely without home or shelter.

These are the laboring classes driven from the country by war. They are mostly women and children, all emaciated, sick and almost beyond relief.

Many are dying in the streets from lack of food. The number of deaths from starvation in the province of Matanzas is sixty thousand, the number now starving there is nearly one hundred thousand. In the city of Matanzas alone, there were eleven thousand deaths the past year. Distress is extending to the better class of people in comfortable circumstances before the war. These are now begging. These statements are not exaggerations. They are conclusions from facts and figures arrived at by the board of United States naval officers.

A MONSTER BENEFIT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, Feb. 23.—Another monster benefit for the children and widows of the martyred Maine sailors will be held Sunday night at the Metropolitan Opera house. It promises to be the largest affair of the kind in the history of the city. Telegrams from President McKinley and from Secretaries Long, Sherman, and Captain Sigsbee, and other prominent officials were received, endorsing the plan. A feature will be the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by an animated song sheet, composed of the choruses of six opera companies, the Seventh Regiment band and the combined orchestras of the city.

A CUBAN INVESTIGATION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Senator Allen of Nebraska today introduced a resolution for a senate investigation of affairs in the island of Cuba. It was laid over until tomorrow.

KLONDIKE AGENT ARRESTED.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 23.—J. A. Smiley, local agent of the Snow and Ice Transportation Company, and his assistant, Phillip Hanna, have been arrested charged with obtaining money under false pretences. Mrs. Minnie Cronin claims that the company has not carried out its contract with her.

DENTAL TRAGEDY.

Biddeford, Me., Feb. 23.—Rufus E. McDonald, aged 28, a clerk in a jewelry store in Saco, died this afternoon while having twenty-eight teeth extracted by a local dentist.

A post-mortem examination was held in the office of Coroner Dennitt by Drs. Bassford and Davis.

A Hundred Of Them

Boys' Suits carried over from last spring.

Prices then were $4.00, $5.00, $6.00 and $7.00—now they are

$2.00.

But they are small sizes—4 years to 7—the larger ones were sold long ago.

They are all right in every way—double breasted jackets, all wool, finely made, just as much value in them as ever, the only trouble is that big boys can't get into them.

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AGAIN ITS LYNN

Motorman and Conductor Knocked Out

BY FOUR TOUGHS OF THAT CITY.

Who Insisted on Smoking on the Car.

Lynn, Feb. 22.—Conductor A. N. Davis and Motorman Frank Myers, in charge of an electric car on the Summer street line of the Lynn & Boston railroad, were brutally assaulted on their car near the Lowell street turnout shortly after 7 o'clock tonight by four young men who boarded the car near South street, a few minutes before.

The men were smoking on the rear platform, and when requested to go to the front platform if they wished to continue to smoke, refused, knocked Davis down, and afterward struck Myers when he came to the rescue.

A number of passengers were in the car at the time and witnessed the assault, which caused great excitement. The men made their escape.

Davis and Myers left Cliftondale at 6.45, bound for Upper Swampscott, and on reaching South street the four young men jumped on to the rear platform. One of the men told him that it would take a bigger man that he was to make him leave where he was, and then struck him a savage blow in the face.

Davis gave the motorman the signal that there was trouble behind and he had hardly done so when the other three jumped on him. Myers came on the platform with the motor handle, but before he could recover himself, it was knocked out of his hand and he received a blow which partially stunned him.

Some of the passengers screamed and the men jumped to the ground and were lost in th darkness.

It is not believed that the assailants were bent on robbery, as no attempt was made to get at the conductor's money when he was down, but rather that the men had been drinking just enough to make them ugly. They are described as being about 20 years old well dressed, and Davis is of opinion that he knows who one of the party is.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

IN HONOR OF MISS FRANCES WILLARD.

Memorial services will be held at the Worthen Street M. E. church, Thursday, February 24, at 3 o'clock in honor of Miss Frances Willard, national president of the W.C.T.U. Rev. E. T. Curnick will preside. The speakers will be Rev. W. A. Bartlett, Rev. S. M. Dick, Rev. S. T. Ford, Rev. A. E. Wilson. All who desire to honor the memory of this noble women are cordially invited by the local W.C.T.U. to be present.

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TWENTY MEN PERISH AT SEA

Sad and Silent Evidence of Another Dreadful Marine Disaster.

A Man and a Girl in Mizzen Chains—A British Vessel Destroyed in the Marine Graveyard at Nantucket—Salem Schooner Sunk.

Boston, Feb. 23.—There is scarcely a doubt that the British ship Asia, commanded by Captain G. N. Dakin, and bound from Manila for this port, was wrecked somewhere in the vicinity of Nantucket during the gales of the past few days and that her 20 men have perished. This conclusion is not only borne out by wreckage, consisting of the stern of a boat with "Asia" painted on it, yards and other materials which was cast up by the sea at Monomoy, but Captain Asa Haley of this city telephoned from Woods Hole that while the tugboat E. V. McCaulley was steaming out to the barge Excelsior, which lies sunk on Handkerchief shoal, he saw positive evidence of the wreck of a large square rigged vessel and recovered two bodies from a portion of the dismantled hulk.

Captain Haley stated that while near the Handkerchief lightship the tug passed through a large amount of wreckage, including bales of hemp, broken spars and broken ship's timbers. Drifting in the midst of this mass was a portion of the wreck on which the bodies were lashed. As the tug approached it was discovered that a man and a girl apparently 10 or 12 years old were fast in the mizzen chains. The tug was quickly headed in the direction of the wreck and the crew released the bodies, and the tug immediately returned to Woods Hole, where the news was sent to this city. The starboard quarter of the vessel was all that remained intact.

The man's body was hanging to the mizzen rigging with the child in his arms. He had apparently made frantic efforts to save the little one when the seas overwhelmed them. The body was not that of Captain Dakin, judging from a master's certificate found in the clothing of the dead man. This certificate was issued at Weymouth, Nova Scotia, to John Cook, and gave the year of the man's birth as 1843. The man was light complexion and slightly bald. The little girl was also of light complexion and bore a striking resemblance to the man. As the tug was ordered away from Woods Hole the bodies were later taken ashore and given in the keeping of some of the residents to await the medical examiner.

Wreckage of a light character, including part of a deckhouse, evidently from a big foreign vessel, came ashore in Chatham, but the most important discovery was the stern of a ship's boat with the words, "Asia of St. John," painted on it. Photographs of a man, woman and child were also picked up, as well as some vessel's stores. It is thought that the Asia was working in from the seaward when she struck the shoals and that she went to pieces in the storm. No bodies have come ashore, but there may be some when the wind changes to off shore.

STRUCK AND SUNK.

Salem, Mass., Feb. 23.—The little coasting schooner Mollie Phillips, Captain John Nutter of Millbridge, Me., was struck and sunk by an unknown schooner four miles southeast of Baker's island. The schooner was laden with granite from Rockport, Me., to Cambridgeport. Captain Nutter and his brother left the sinking schooner in a small boat and landed on Baker's island about 1 o'clock Sunday morning. The schooner was built at Millbridge, Me., 12 years ago and registered 41 tons net. She was owned by M. C. Wallace of Millbridge.

ATTEMPT TO KILL

A Rhode Island Farmer Last Night,

A BULLET SENT INTO HIS HOUSE.

Whizzed Within an Inch of His Head.

Woonsocket, R. I., Feb. 23.—An unsuccessful attempt was made to murder Jacob Nightingale, a farmer living on the Cumberland road four miles from this city. Mr. Nightingale, who is 70 years old and lives alone, was in the kitchen replenishing the fire when a pistol bullet came through a window. The bullet passed within an inch of his head.

MEN SCALDED FATALLY.

Fitchburg, Mass., Feb. 23.—John L. Jones and Felician Leblanc of Leominster died at the Burbank hospital as the result of a scalding and inhaling steam by the blowing out of a plug in a boiler used in harvesting ice at a pond in South Gardner. Lucien Farrar and G. H. Lawrence, also of Leominster, are in the hospital seriously scalded, through the same agency. The men were sleeping in a loft over the boiler.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The mule spinners of Lewiston and Auburn, Me., have voted not to take any part in a general strike.

Senator White of California has stated that owing to business reasons he will not be a candidate for re-election.

C. H. Hughes, superintendent of the county infirmary, has been arrested as one of the lynchers in Versailles, Ind.

Frank Lawlor, 32 years old, while insane from delirium tremens jumped from a window in Providence and was instantly killed.

Two bodies supposed to be those of sailors who were on the Marcellus of Searsport, Me., which was wrecked off Dollliver's neck during the blizzard of Feb. 1, were discovered on the beach at Gloucester, Mass., yesterday.

Peter Welch, who was shot Feb. 5 by Walter Y. Marsh at the farm of E. W. Fiske in Cumberland, R. I., is dead. This ending of the case was sudden and almost unexpected, and the exact cause cannot be definitely stated until the autopsy is held.

The marriage of Marion Olive Hanson and Ignatius Donnelly was solemnized yesterday in the Norwegian Methodist church at Minneapolis in the presence of about 600 persons. Outside a vast concourse gathered to catch glimpses of the pretty young bride and the distinguished groom.

It is reported that the law court of Maine has decided for the plaintiffs in the cases against the town of Foxcroft in which the invalid notes of its embezzling treasurer, Judge Hale, were involved. This forces the town to shoulder the debt of $187,000, which will almost bankrupt it.

Sir James Winter, the premier, moved in the Newfoundland legislature yesterday a series of resolutions favoring the transfer of the colony's railway system, telegraphs, coal areas, docks and a large section of land in the interior to a contractor who is pledged to a large development of the timber and mineral wealth of the island. Public opinion generally favors the project.

POLO GAMES.

In Salem—Pawtuckets, 10; Salems, 6.
In Fall River—Fall Rivers, 12; Providences, 6.
In New Haven—New Havens, 11; Waterburys, 5.
In Meriden—New Britains, 5; Meridens, 4.
In Hartford—Hartfords, 7; Wallingfords, 2.

CONNECTICUT'S BLIZZARD.

Winsted, Conn., Feb. 23.—The ice storm which has been raging in this section of the state for the past three days progressed last night with little abatement. Much of the natural beauty of Winsted is gone, while the fruit crops and maple sugar industry have suffered considerable injury. Communication by wire with outside points remains entirely cut off. Gangs of linemen are working night and day, but making comparatively little headway.

POLICE BOARD.

OFIFCER McQUADE REDUCED TO THE RANKS.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Police, Tuesday afternoon, it was voted that the office of inspector of minor licenses be discontinued and the superintendent was instructed to place Officer McQuade on a regular beat.

It was ordered that on and after March 1st next, all money for minor licenses be paid into the city treasury before licenses are granted by the clerk of the police board.

The license of Grace McDonald, common victualler at No. 23 Kirk street, was revoked, and a new license was granted her at No. 38 John street.

Harriet A. Beard was granted a common victualler's license at No. 119 Appleton street.

Edward Farrell was appointed a special policeman for the Burkes' Temperance Institute on Middle street.

Robinson and Blake asked for a license at the Bijou theatre, Merrimack street, and the petition was referred to the superintendent of police for investigation.

The women of the Parish Aid society of St. John's church gave a turkey supper last night.

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Don't put it off until tomorrow, come today. Why can't you spend a few minutes from your housework or business for your own benefit? You may never have the chance again. Why not accept it now? Come by all means, and in future years you will thank us for the invitation.

FR. BURKE'S TABLE

Announcement of the Various Awards Made.

SOME BEAUTIFUL GIFTS WERE DISPOSED OF,

The Winners and Their Articles.

The awards on Fr. Burke's table at the recent bazaar in aid of the Working Girls' Home has been announced and will be found below:

Fr. Burke takes this opportunity to thank all those who in any way assisted in the success of his table at the recent fair. A major part of the credit must be attributed to the loyal work and self-sacrificing endeavors of Mrs. Thomas Mahoney and Miss Catherine O'Connor, who so faithfully superintended their respective tables. His consideration is also extended to their valued assistants, the Children of Mary, to whom he is much indebted, as well as to all those who so nobly responded to the call of duty.

Appended will be found the lucky subscribers to the various articles:

Margaret Corson, 595 Central street, willow rocker; H. Kane, 243 Worthen street, sofa pillow; Mrs. Thomas Mahoney, Butterfield street, sofa pillow; Margaret Shinkwin, 21 Gabot street, crayon portrait of Fr. Gleason; Mary Harrington, 32 Lewis street, parlor lamp; Thomas Kelley, 139 Colburn street, musical album; Fr. Shaw, North Chelmsford, crayon of Fr. Shaw; Mary O'Connell, 134 Colburn street, rocker; Ethel Enright, Fletcher street, crayon of Fr. O'Brien; Katy Gorman, 110 Lewis street, ladies' hat; Nellie Burns, 15 Willie avenue, clock; Sadie Waugh, 138 Colburn street, lady's hat; Nora Lynch, 125 Cross street, viaticum case; Katy Dixon, Suffolk street, crayon of Fr. Burke; Dollie Aspinwall, 57 Jefferson street, chest of tea; Charles Pevey, 63 Concord street, lamp; Annabella Sullivan, 49 Walnut street, dinner set; Mary Glynn, Cross street, oil painting; Mrs. Gray, 54 Lewis street, cake basket; Edwin Clark, Troy, N. Y., coffee pot.

Articles may be obtained at the parochial residence.

UNIONS GROWING

Barbers and Knitters Organized Last Night.

LOCKED OUT EMPLOYERS ARE SEEKING AID.

Brewery Unions Donate to New Bedford.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Journeymen Barbers was held in the Arlington Hotel yesterday afternoon when organization of the new union was perfected. Application cards were distributed among those present and each man who was present is expected to bring in another one at the next meeting.

John T. Powers was unanimously elected president and a committee was appointed to bring in a list of other officers to be voted upon at the next meeting.

It was unanimously voted to support the bill for the licensing of barbers now pending in the general court. Copies of the bill were distributed among the members present and more may be obtained from Mr. Powers at 357 Central street.

Following is the preamble to the constitution of the union, showing its objects:

Whereas, The history of the journeymen barbers throughout the country has been but the record of constant struggle against oppression; and

Whereas, Their trouble has arisen almost entirely from lack of unity and confidence in each other as workers, and misunderstanding the true cause of oppression; and

Whereas, Unity guided by intelligence is a source of strength that can withstand all attacks and that without intelligent organization, we cannot acquire the discipline which enables us to act together, concentrate our strength, and direct our efforts toward the desired end, and also acquire the patience that enables us to wait for the results:

Therefore, For the purpose of promoting such unity of sentiment and action among the journeymen barbers of America, and joining them closer together for mutual protection, we have organized the Journeymen Barbers' International Union of America.

BREWERS HELP NEW BEDFORD.

Local Union 124, Brewery Workers, held a well attended meeting at Spinners' hall last evening, at which they were addressed by William Sanders of the Spinners' union in behalf of the New Bedford strikers. Mr. Sanders' eloquence bore fruit, for at the close of his remarks it was voted to donate $25 for this purpose and Mr. Sanders was presented with a check for the same before he left the hall. This is in addition to $17 presented Mr. Sanders by brewery employes last week.

The union also voted to affiliate with Boston Union 14, and hereafter there will be no local union. President August Popp was in the chair.

THE KNITTERS ORGANIZE.

In response to a call sent out recently, the Knitters in all the hosieries turned out in large numbers last evening and were temporarily organized. Mr. Fred Daigle of the Spinners' union took them in charge. Addresses were made by prominent labor men upon the value of organization. They will meet again next Tuesday evening.

BIDDEFORD AFTER MONDY.

Messrs. M. F. McCarthy and J. Fields of the Biddeford Spinners' union arrived in the city yesterday, and will remain here until Saturday in the interest of the Biddeford Spinners' who are locked out by reason of the strike of the slasher tenders and web-drawers. They will attend the meeting of the Spinners' union Friday night and have just returned from Dover, N. H., where they collected $150 and they have also received promise of substantial support from Lawrence.

Although the spinners did not go out on strike at Biddeford since they have been locked out, they have voted not to return to work until the 10 per cent. reduction is restored. They say that they will accept no compromise.

MEMBERSHIP INCREASED.

The Carders' Pickers' and Ring Spinners' union held its weekly meeting at Spinners' hall last evening and increased its membership by 15. Although no official report of the ball recently held in aid of the New Bedford strikers has yet been submitted, there is no doubt that it has netted a substantial sum.

SURPRISE PARTY.

A number of friends and shop mates of John J. Nichols called upon him at his home on Fulton avenue, Monday evening and presented him with a purse of money. The presentation was made by Miss E. White in behalf of the gathering and Mr. Nichols responded, thanking them for their thoughtfulness. Vocal and instrumental music was rendered and a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all.

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A WHIST PARTY.

Last evening, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Gilbride entertained a number of their friends at their residence, 195 Cross street, in a very pleasing manner. The principal part of the entertainment was progressive whist and as the guests assembled, each was presented with a neat souvenir, consisting of a buttonhole bouquet on which was suspended a long red, white and blue ribbon, which served as a counter for each of the players. As the game progressed and the points won by the players, each was presented with a gold star which was attached to the ribbon. At the end of the playing, the stars attached would designate the number of points won. Last evening, the prize winners were Miss Lyons of Winchester and Mr. Dennis Devine. Th souvenirs were very appropriate and patriotic. During the playing, the phonograph was set in motion and reeled off many selections and witty sayings greatly to the amusement of the guests. After whist, refreshments were served and the balance of the evening was passed with an impromptu concert. There were many solos and choruses of patriotic songs. A novel feature was the cake walk, in which Mrs. John A. O'Hearn excelled. The instrumental performance of the evening was by Mrs. D. J. Devine and Miss Tilly Delaney. The party broke up about midnight.

PLEASANT MUSICALE.

A musicale was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. MacPhie, 5 Fernald street, by Miss Mary A. Adams, music teacher. There was a large company present and Miss Adams' pupils did splendidly.

Those who took part in the program were: Mary A. Adams, Daniel Gleason, Dena Le Voy, Clara Beaudette, Elmord MacPhie, Sadie Dean, Eleinor Watson, Lillia Piper, Lillian Goodwin, Mertie Bachelder, Vina Watson.

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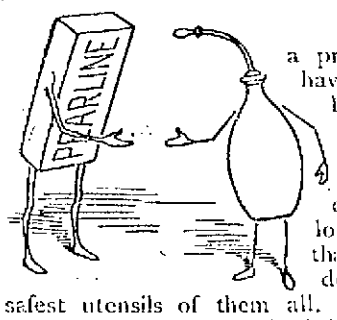

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IN WASHINGTON PARTIES

(Continued.)

Sharkey and William Gleason also participated. The judges had a hard time picking a winner and finally awarded the cake to Miss Sharkey and Mr. Gleason.

ONION CLUB ENTERTAINS.

The Onion club with true patriotic spirit observed Washington's' birthday at its apartments yesterday, afternoon and evening, entertaining many guests in its hospitable fashion. Refreshments were served with lavish hand and President Edward Comerford acted as toastmaster. President Comerford made an eloquent address of a patriotic nature during the afternoon that made a decided impression upon all who heard him. There is generally [illegible]ttle of a serious nature at an [illegible] symposium, but President [illegible] after making his usual re[illegible] dwelt stirringly up[illegible]nce of the great nation[illegible] referred to Washing[illegible] achievements as a [illegible] added by the counsel [illegible] experience, he suc[illegible] one of the great[illegible]ry and later launched [illegible] ship of state upon its [illegible] Time's boundless sea. [illegible]dance, while at the helm [illegible]ssible for his successor to [illegible] the same onward direction, [illegible] the republic which he made [illegible]ity, stands pre-eminent among [illegible] nations of the earth.

Frederick, the Great, sent him his sword, inscribed "From the oldest general in the world to the greatest general in the world." It was because he

EDWARD J. COMERFORD, President "Onion" Club.

was great as a man that he was also great as a soldier and statesman. That he became President and not King was because he believed this government ought to be administered by the people.

President Comerford then referred in eloquent words to the lesson of the Maine disaster, quoting instances of admirable courage displayed by the survivors of the wreck, as an inspiration to the young men of today.

"True patriotism, he said, "endures all reverses, and disaster but fans the glowing spark into the warm flame and true patriotism is that which inspired all true Americans and other nations, may reflect upon the remarkable fact that as a result of the Maine disaster, there is a great rush of applications from young men wishing to join the navy." Mr. Comerford's remarks were received with continued applause.

The entertainment program was long and varied. A fine graphophone entertainment was given. Percy Fisher directing. There were songs by William F. McCarthy, Jim Manning, T. F. Garvey and Harry Lynch; recitations by Cornelius Collins and Ed. Dunn; violin solos, Dennis Sullivan; comicalities, I. H. Sternberg, address, Dennis J. Crowley; piano solos, John Saunders. At six o'clock a delightful supper was served, the delicacies having been prepared by Mr. Collins, the club's chef.

M. S. F. P. CLUB.

About 100 young couples assembled at the complimentary concert and ball tendered by the well known M.S.F.P. bowling club in Highland hall, last evening.

Mr. John Mellen, who was general manager, had the hall handsomely decorated with bunting, streamers and Chinese lanterns. In the center of the floor the club's monogram "M.S.F.P." was waxed.

The stage was banked with ferns and there was an abundance of potted plants.

Behind the gilded word "Welcome," Hadley's orchestra played tunefully to 18 numbers on the program. At 10 o'clock there was an intermission when Messrs James Callahan and Paul Normandy sang songs, which were repeatedly encored.

Dancing was then resumed till 12 o'clock when the Lenten waltz, dedicated to the Lenten season, was danced.

After the affair was over, the officers of the club with friends ate a midnight supper at Burbeck's restaurant.

The grand success of the affair was due to the efforts of the President, Ralph Simons; treasurer, Ledger Panton; general manager, John Mellen; floor director, W. H. Bell; assistant floor director, Joe Panton; aids, Henry Gaugette, W. A. Crombie; C. Wilson, C. E. Peck, C. H. Hover

MISS CUMNOCK'S COTILLION.

At Mechanics Hall last evening, Miss Grace Cumnock gave another in a series of subscription cotillions. The hall had been beautifully decorated with the national colors and an abundance of flags were used in the decorations. About 50 couples were present, several being from out of town.

The first part of the cotillion, which was a George Washington party, was in charge of Mr. J. Tyler Stevens. The favors were silk flags, cherries, hatchets, fancy sashes, gilt wands with a bunch of flowers. These were donated by Mrs. Freeman Shedd. The first part was continued until 11 o'clock and the American orchestra furnished the music, at which time the D. L. Page company served lunch in the upper hall.

After refreshments the second part of the cotillion began. This was called a Mardi Gras party and was in charge of Mr. Victor I. Cumnock of New York. The favors were from Sherry's in New York and consisted of confetti, papal rockets and tissue flowers.

The ladies who received were Mrs. A. G. Cumnock, Mrs. Willis Farrington, and Mrs. Jacob Rogers. The ladies in charge of the favor tables were Mrs. Freeman Shedd, Mrs. Willis Farrington, and Mrs. John Hart.

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY.

The friends and boarders of Mrs. Kate Clark, of 17 Merrimack corporation, tendered her a very pleasant surprise in Hibernian Hall to show her the esteem in which she is held by all who know her.

There were over 300 people present and when the festivities had got under way, Mr. Joseph Dallagher in a neat speech, presented Mrs. Clark with a beautiful white oak secretary and bookcase combined. Miss Alice McFadden, Mrs. Clark's grandaughter also presented her with a beautiful bouquet. Refreshments were served, and singing and dancing served to pass the hours merrily away. The hall was finely decorated and the Columbian orchestra furnished music. There was a large committee of arrangements, chief among the number being William Deeney, Owen Clark, James Finnegan, John McFadden, William T. Welsh and Miss Mary Hands.

RECEPTION AND DANCE.

One of the most enjoyable occasions incident to the observance of Washington's birthday, was held at the handsome residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Rice on Liberty street yesterday when Mrs. H. R. Rice and Miss Abbie Gates gave an at-home to a large circle of their friends and acquaintances. The reception began at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and continued until 5, during which time about 200 ladies and gentlemen called to partake of the hospitality.

The receiving party consisted of Mrs. H. R. Rice and Miss Abbie Gates, assisted by Mrs. W. A. Dickinson, Mrs. Ellewyn W. Lovejoy, Mrs. P. C. Gates and Mrs C. R Wood. At the serving of refreshments Mrs. J. M. Washburn and Mrs. Chester F. Smith poured and frappe was served by Miss Harriet White and Miss Edith Greaves.

At 6.20 o'clock the D. L. Page company served an excellent dinner and a pleasant hour was passed at the table.

In the evening, whist was, enjoyed, there being five tables. Several musical selections were given making the evening pass in an agreeable way. The winners of the prizes were:

First gentleman's and lady's—Mr. Prescott Gates and Mrs. E. W. Lovejoy; consolation, Dr. Eaton and Miss Edith Greaves.

Among the out-of-town guests present was Miss Edith Greaves of New Jersey.

FOR THE HUMANE SOCIETY.

The entertainment given at the home of Mrs. James E. Nesmith of Andover street yesterday afternoon was a brilliant social and financial success. The parents of the children participating came in carriages, and the long line of vehicles with groomed coachmen in waiting gave to the affair an air of social eclat. The entertainment was given by the children and the proceeds will be devoted to the interests of the Humane society.

The title of the play, in which the youngsters rendered themselves famous, was "Mrs. Peck's Pudding," and let it be said that it was well named, for the poor woman had a peck of trouble in getting the ingredients to make it.

Miss Hildreth Nesmith took the part of Mrs. Peck and she posed as the poor widow in a manner that charmed the audience with her skill.

The Misses Hildreth Nesmith, Eleanor Palmer, Louise and Rita Talbot, Harriet and Isabelle Nesmith and Rebecca Sherman, and Masters Jackson Palmer, Horace Coburn, Leonard Huntress, Gordon White and Fisher Nesmith had charge of and took active part in the enetertainment. Too much credit cannot be given the young people for the success of their efforts.

Besides the entertainment there were sales booths, which were presided over by the following boys and girls:

Fancy table—Juliette Huntress, Ruth Wilder, Rebecca Sherman and Horace Coburn.

Candy table—Louise Talbot, Harriet Nesmith and Florence Nesmith.

Paper table—Isabelle Nesmith and Richard Greenhalge.

Cake table—Rita Talbot and Eleanor Palmer.

AT CENTRE CHURCH.

The ladies of the Centre Congregational church in Dracut gave a successful entertainment and sale last night.

Presiding over the sales tables in the upper room were the following: Candy table—Albert Fox, chairman; Miss Minnie Snow; apron table—Mrs. R. D. Coburn, chairman; Mrs. Eliot Morgan, Mrs. T. W. Hill, Miss Rose E. Peabody; fancy table—Mrs. John Peabody, chairman; Mrs. Calvin Richardson, Mrs. E. C. Sargent, Mrs. Wm. Oatley, Miss Ernita Barnum.

MASQUERADE PARTY.

Mr. William F. Elvin, the teacher of dancing, held an enjoyable masquerade party at his academy on Dutton street last evening. There were about fifty couples present and the costumes were quite unique. The march was led by Mr. Charles S. O'Reagan as "A Gay Old Sport," and Mrs. O'Reagan as "June." The first half of the order was danced before the masks were removed, creating many perplexing incidents, and lots of fun for the participants. The affair was quite successful. Mrs. Elvin was general manager and Mrs. O'Reagan floor director.

THE LOTUS CLUB

The Lotus club held its first grand minstrel performance at its club rooms last night and a fine program was carried out under the direction of "Tommy" McDermott.

DR. PARKER

ENTERTAINED OLD MIDDLESEX CHAPTER, S. A. R.

Dr. Moses G. Parker entertained the Old Middlesex Chapter, S. A. R., last evening.

The guests of the evening were Dr. Francis H. Brown of Boston, state vice president, and Mayor James W. Bennett.

At a brief business session following the dinner four new members were admitted, Charles William Fletcher, Robert Little Reed, Joseph Bradley Varnum Coburn, and Clarence Gilman Coburn. The following committees were announced: Historical papers, Prentiss Webster, Rev. Wilson Waters, Francis N. Chase, George H. Stevens and William A. Reade; ancestral papers, Charles H. Conant, James F. Savage,

A LENTEN SOLILOQUY.

His Satanic Majesty:—"Well, I expect to be [illegible] 'onesome for the next six weeks."

MISS LIZZIE G. McNAMEE, Spindle City Circle, C. of F.

Fred A. Estes, Burton H. Wiggin, Harvey B. Greene.

George H. Marston and Fred A. Estes gave the ancestral papers of the evening. George H. Stevens and Wm. A. Reade spoke upon the life of Washington. The other speakers were Solon W. Stevens, Charles H. Conant, Prentiss Webster, and Judge Samuel P. Hadley. The exercises closed with the singing of "America."

DAUGHTERS OF LIBERTY.

Lady Franklin Council, Daughters of Liberty, managed a fair in the banquet hall of Odd Fellows temple last night. Dancing was one of the pleasures. The tables:

Candy table—Chairman, Mrs. Mary Gifford; assistants, Miss Susie Gifford, Blanche Bartlett, Lillian Charters.

Doll table—Chairman, Mrs. G. D. Farley; assistants, Mrs. J. M. Bills.

Fancy table—Chairman, Mrs. C. M. Young; assistant, Mrs. George Gilman.

Mystery table—Chairman, Mrs. B. M. Walker; assistant, S. E. Brett.

Apron table—Chairman, Mrs. Q. A. Foster; assistants, Mrs. George Varney, Miss Lou Titcomb.

FOR THE HOSPITAL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN GAVE AN ENTERTAINMENT.

The Sunday school children of the Eliot Congregational church gave an entertainment last night for the benefit of the Lowell General hospital.

The program last evening consisted of an old-fashioned town meeting, with the following characters, in costume:

Hiram Mum, moderator, Arthur Ellis; Rastus Chicken, selectman, Frank Coburn; James Gabb, selectman, James Sykes; Joseph Wayback, John Wright; Si Clegg, Ernest Chase; Cyrus Crabtree, Alvin Sykes; Reuben James, Harold Caverly; Ike Goldberg, Fay Aldrich; John Wheel, John Howarth; Levi Cornstalk, Frank Field; Aunt Jerusha Tracy, Miss Florence Bright; Arabella Jane Tucker, Miss Jennie Wheeler; Maria Ann Johnson, Miss Lillian Woodies; Napoleon Catchum, constable, Horace Ela.

There were several sales tables, all of which were liberally patronized.

Fine job printing done at this office.

POLICE COURT.

One drunk.

Duncan McNabb was fined $10 for assault and battery.

Jason Connell charged with being a stubborn child, was given some sound advice by Judge Hadley and allowed to go, upon his promise to reform.

Margaret Monke, who was found guilty of larceny of wearing appearel was sent to jail for five months.

Lewis D. Batchelder, who when defending a case of assault upon his daughter, said that there was doubts as to the latter's paternity, will probably find himself in a peck of trouble in the near future as his family history is being investigated and he will probably be charged with illicit co-habitation. The case was continued until tomorrow.

John Thompson and Celia O'Brien charged with illicit co-habitation, were continued till tomorrow.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of John B. Richardson, will take place from his late residence, corner Fletcher and Willie streets, on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends invited. Burial private.

On Saturday morning at half-past 10 o'clock, rain or shine, the entire stock of new upright pianos belonging to J. A. Green, Fiske Block, 223 Central street, will be closed out at absolute sale by J. E. Conant & Co., auctioneers. The pianos are all high grade and by standard makers: Hallett & Davis, Hughes & Son, "The Majestic," by the Spies company and Gibson. The terms will be cash; or half cash at sale, the balance secured and payable in 30 days; a roll-top desk, a show case, also piano scarfs, stools and other similar articles are to be sold. All will be on exhibition during the day and evening, Friday.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation [illegible]. Please buy and try a box [illegible] C. C. C. [illegible] 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold [illegible] by all druggists.

First class job printing done at this office.

FUNERALS.

MORSE—The funeral of the late Charles T. Morse was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 320 Fairmount street. Rev. A. St. John Chambre officiated. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends of the deceased, including a delegation from Post 42, and the entire force of Mazzepa Hose 4, in command of Capt. J. Edward Burns. The fire department was also represented by delegations from every company. There was a profusion of floral offerings, among which were a pillow inscribed "Father," from the family; standing arch, with clock, the dial pointing to 1.20, the hour at which he died, from the Lowell fire department; large pillow inscribed "1865-1898" from Mazeppa 1; pillow inscribed "Post 42, G. A. R.," from the post; pillow inscribed "Uncle," from Principal James Mellen of the Lincoln school; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Needham, Cambridge; pillow inscribed "Faithful" from Belvidere Woolen Manufacturing company; a large basket, James F. Lyons; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Heath; sprays from Hon. John J. Pickman; spray of pinks, Miss Ethel Classon; numerous other pieces and sprays from friends.

The following were the bearers: James Anderson, Seth Sherwood and Daniel Murphy of Post 42, Jeremiah Harrington, Fred F. Prescott and Benjamin F. Freeman of Mazeppa Hose 4. As the casket was borne from the house to the hearse the Lowell Military Band played "The Vacant Chair." Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

Colonel Dimon displayed the United States flag at half mast over his residence in honor of his neighbor and comrade in arms.

EMERY—The funeral services of Mary F. Emery were held Tuesday afternoon at her late home on Branch street, Rev. S. T. Ford officiating. H. L. Tibbetts had charge of the arrangements and the remains were entombed in the Edson cemetery tomb.

INGALLS—The funeral services of the late Edward Morris Ingalls were held Tuesday afternoon at the residence of his grandfather, Thomas Ingalls, 31 West Fourth street. The services were in charge of Rev. H. W. O. Millington, who gave a touching address praising the many excellent qualities which the deceased had possessed. There was singing by Miss Edith Morris and Mrs. Edie Davis. A large number of floral tributes were received, among them being a basket from the Mystery club, of which the deceased was a member. The bearers were Messrs. Arthur Whitney, George Puffer, Arthur Richardson, John MacKenzie, James Greig and Richard Cling. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

VARNEY—The funeral services of Mrs. Ruth E. Varney were held at her late home, 20 Ash street, yesterday afternoon, there being a large attendance of friends and neighbors. The services were conducted by Rev. C. E. Fisher of the First Universalist church of which the deceased had been a member for many years and the founder of its Sunday school. A Spiritualist speaker, Mrs. Agnes H. Banfield of this city, also spoke, spiritualism being the religious faith of Mrs. Varney. There were beautiful floral tributes from friends and relatives. The bearers were John D. Dow, Wm. P. Farrington, Edwin Hapgood, and Alden B. Frazier. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Undertaker Currier had charge.

AGAIN NO SCHOOL.

There was no school this morning owing to the storm

THE PHALANX BALL

ONE OF THE GRANDEST MILITARY EVENTS FOR YEARS.

Tonight, the annual ball of the Mechanic Phalanx will be held at the Armory. There will be a large number of military guests from out-of-town. It is the first grand military ball held here for years. The Brigadier General of Rhode Island, with some of the highest military officials in this state will be present. Col. Parker is chairman of the reception committee and Capt. Greig is the general manager.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES.

This is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. In all the Catholic churches this morning special service was held and the ashes were blessed and distributed. Tonight the service will consist of vespers, sermon and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

At St. Anne's Episcopal church the service commenced at 10 o'clock and consisted of morning prayer, litany, penitential office, sermon and Holy Communion. This evening there will be prayer and a sermon at 7.30.

OFF FOR ENGLAND.

The following Lowell people are booked through Murphy's steamship agency to leave Boston tomorrow for England on the Cunard Line steamer "Cephalonia"

Mr. Thomas Carrick, Mr. Herbert Cocroft, Miss Delia Holden and Mrs. B. Bradley Also from New York today on the White Star Line steamer "Majestic," Mr. William Hartley and Mr. Henry Gaunt.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

BOWLING NEWS.

Team Three of Company C defeated the Ambulance Corps bowling team at the Armory last night by 130 pins. The score by totals:

Team Three, Company C.—Ahlberg, 414; Bellamy, 493; Going, 459; Burtt, 412; Butcher, 399. Total, 2182.

Ambulance Corps — Foss, 374; Rolbitaille, 471; Storey 377; Wenden, 410; Thayer, 420. Total, 2052.

AL. REEVES' BIG SHOW.

The attraction at Music Hall Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week will be one that will please both young and old. That favorite comedian, Al. Reeves with his big burlesque company will be here in a potpourri of new and catchy music, funny situations and magnificent scenery, gorgeous costumes and grand electrical effects.

There will be a meeting of the Hosiery Boarders tomorrow night, Thursday, February 24, in Spinners' hall that will be addressed by good French speakers and we hope to have a good attendance. Per order Hosiery Committee.

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This just between seasons—and a good time for the shrewd head of the family. Why? Between seasons here for instance winter goods are on our counters going at most any price Spring goods are being brought out at last season's mark down. This condition of things will continue for a week or so—and we will be glad to have the privilege of helping to provide themselves with some of our clothing under these conditions.

Some leading bargains in Neckwear and Fancy 1-2 Hose at 24c. each and Fancy Shirts and Underwear at 48c. each.

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IN PRICES

TO SUIT THE TIMES

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Ladies' Storm Rubbers 35c.
Youths' Storm King Rubber Boots, 11 to 13, $1.39.
Boys' Storm King Rubber Boots, 3 to 5, $2.40.
Men's Boston Rubber Boots, warranted first quality, $1.79.
Children's Kid Boots, lace or button, sizes 3 to 6, 25c.
Children's Kid Spring Heel, sizes 6 to 8, 39c.

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Wise Merchants

The merchants of Lowell are not fools. Of course they were not as wise once as they are now; but their wisdom came through experience.

While they always bought their merchandise by measure and weight, they used to buy advertising space in the local papers by sympathy and guess-work. They don't buy it that way now. They buy space on the basis of circulation, estimating the price per inch per thousand papers circulated.

On this basis, they know what they get and they know that THE SUN is by far the cheapest medium in the city. THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two papers in Lowell.

The military bodies throughout the country are now engaged in drilling and getting ready for active service. Company M of this city has reported ready for the field.

The agitation for the abolition of the Training school is not based upon a desire to improve our schools. It aims at removing all obstacles placed in the way of inferior teachers securing positions.

In the death of Miss Frances Willard, humanity has lost an influential friend. She was always foremost in every movement for social reform and especially in the case of temperance she was universally recognized as a leader.

It is reported that the defeated candidates for the post office in Haverhill are endeavoring to relegate Congressman Moody to private life, but it is doubtful if they will succeed in that object. There are defeated post office candidates in Lowell yet to be heard from on the congressional contest. They are not saying much, but their influence may be felt in the right direction when the time comes.

The New York Journal has shown its patriotism and liberality by starting a fund for a monument to the victims of the Maine disaster. It has opened the fund with a contribution of $1000 and invites subscriptions from all parts of the country and from every sympathizer with the crew of that ill-fated battleship. The movement is one in which the Grand Army men should especially take a lively interest. The success of the undertaking is assured from the beginning, because the people of this country are ever ready to recognize self-sacrifice and patriotic devotion.

The labor investigation now being conducted in different cities of the state appears to be giving the mill agents an excellent opportunity to justify the cut-down so far as that lies in their power. It will be difficult, of course, for any mill official to justify a reduction of wages while the mill is paying high dividends, but yet that is just what some of the mill agents are trying to do. It will be interesting to hear what Agent Thomas of the Tremont & Suffolk will say upon the question. Inasmuch as he is authority for the statement that there is no need of a cut-down in wages and that it will not remedy the depression in the cotton business.

Joseph Smith of the Irish Historical society by his able paper read in New York a few nights ago, has drawn upon himself a severe criticism, owing to his attacks upon writers who are supposed to be almost unimpeachable. Mr. Smith, we have no doubt, can defend himself against these attacks and show that he has even more ammunition to explode against the writers in question. Henry Cabot Lodge is one of the most erratic writers upon some questions that could possibly be selected for criticism. Mr. Smith assailed him on one of his weak points and can easily sustain the charges made. The same is true in the case of Professor Fiske, and the other writers whom Mr. Smith criticised.

Senator Butler as the head of the populist party, has written a long letter upon the question of trusts. It is upon the matter of oppressive trusts that the republican party can best be assailed. He lays considerable stress also upon the necessity of public ownership of railroad and telegraphic lines but this, it seems, is a matter of secondary importance as compared with the evils of the gold standard, which is a continual obstacle to business progress and enterprise of every kind. The points upon which the republican party will be assailed most fiercely will be,—first, its adherence to the gold standard in the worst form; and second, its subserviency to the trusts and monopolies of the country.

A MEASURE THAT SHOULD PASS.

There is a bill before Congress providing that it will be unlawful for any court of the United States or any judge thereof to issue a writ of injunction, mandate or restraining order against any labor organization, its officers or members in any manner affecting their full freedom to peacefully and quietly quit the services of any person or corporation at any time they may see proper to do so. It seems from the experience of the past few years in labor matters that this bill is of great importance to the toiling masses of the country. The injunction of late years has been used as a weapon against strikes and it has often been applied to prevent workmen from striking. In England where the courts are supposed to adhere to all the principles of justice, the injunction has not been used for any such purpose in any of the great strikes that have there occurred. It seems that the use of the injunction as applied to strikes is an innovation of modern date and one which was never contemplated by law. The bill before congress is intended to remedy what is undoubtedly a growing abuse of judicial power and one which if not promptly restrained, may lead to serious consequences. The labor organizations of the country are a unit in favor of this bill.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Indianapolis News—Zola is not writing fiction now; he is making history.

The Springfield Republican proposes a census of President McKinley's cabinet, to ascertain if the Honorable John Sherman is still in it.

Concord Monitor—The petitioners for woman suffrage in Massachusetts have been given leave to withdraw, but we don't think they will withdraw very far.

Freeland Tribune—Details of the Lattimer massacre fills columns of the newspapers, but have no effect upon the inhuman gang who slaughtered the innocent men. Such is the hardened condition of plutocrat assassins.

Brockton Enterprise—The figures quoted before the legislative labor committee at New Bedford made one thing apparently manifest, which is that the workers certainly earned no more money than was necessary for the support of life, and that in families it was quite necessary for more than one to work to keep the larder and the fuel box well supplied, even before the latest cut was made.

New York Evening Post—President Dole is said to have gone home a sadder and wiser man. He enjoys the distinction of being the first president of a republic known to history who travelled around the world trying to sell his own country to a foreign power. This is the more comic because he was telling everybody all the time he was here that his government was much beloved by his people and that they greatly desired its maintenance. But he resented deeply any proposal that they should be consulted about the transfer. In fact, he said it was insulting to him to doubt their willingness to be sold out. A more happy and contented lot there could not be. Nevertheless, they felt that it was time they were disposed of.

New York Journal—The people of Switzerland voted last week in favor of the purchase and operation by the state of all the railways within the little republic. The vote was by means of referendum, every male inhabitant above the age of twenty years having the right to cast one ballot. For state ownership the vote was 381,146 to 177,130 against. The total population of Switzerland is about 3,000,000 and as the normal voting population of a state in which the franchise is practically free, is about one-sixth of the total population, it is apparent that the proposal for state ownership in Switzerland was adopted by a rousing majority in a full vote.

The price which Switzerland is to pay for her railroads is $200,000,000 for 2,391 miles of track equipped and open for traffic, or an average of about $86,000 dollars a mile. American railways are notoriously over capitalized, yet their value as expressed by their capital stock and funded debt is in the neighborhood of $60,000 a mile. This would make the Swiss roads seem expensive but the ruggedness of the country, the frequent tunnels and the superior solidity of the roadbed must be taken into consideration.

It would be well to keep in mind that the Swiss roads were built by private enterprise, and that their prime cost upon which, of course, interest must be earned, was one-third greater than that of American railroads. In two or three years we shall hear the laissez faire wiseacre lifting up his voice to proclaim that fares on Swiss railroads are higher than on railways in the United States—all because the former are owned by the state.

LAWRENCE MAN MISSING.

Timothy Murphy disappeared from his home, 269 Oak street, February 11, and his friends, assisted by the police have been unable to trace his whereabouts.

Mr. Murphy is married and has two children. He is a building laborer and has been out of work about three weeks. He is said not to have had the "blues" and was in good health.

Mrs. Murphy says he left the house about 6 o'clock in the evening and said he would be back in a minute as he was going to care for the children while she went down street. Their home life was always pleasant and no reason can be assigned for his disappearance. Foul play is not suspected, as he had no money and did not even carry his watch.

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FOUGHT OVER A WORD.

TWO EAST BOSTON MEN DIFFER ABOUT ITS PRONUNCIATION.

Boston, Feb. 22.—Everett Earl and James McCallum, well known citizens of East Boston, were before Judge Emmons in the District Court, yesterday, to answer to the charge of assault upon each other.

While crossing the ferry last Saturday, the two gentlemen began discussing the Maine disaster. Nothing happened while the boat was crossing the stream, but when the men started to walk up the drop, Earl said:

"I believe there were many men wound ed on that ship besides those who were killed outright."

"Many what?" asked McCallum, "you mean woonded." Who ever heard an educated man call it wounded. I'm surprised at you."

"I said wounded and I mean wounded," continued the other. "I know what I'm talking about and don't you make any mistake about it. I haven't studied Webster all my life for nothing."

"Webster never said wounded, though," rejoined McCallum, "in the sense of being hurt or injured. He knew his business too well for that. You've culled that word from the vocabulary of some barroom orator or lyceum sidewalk debater."

Unwilling to abide by Webster or any other authority, the two fell to "wounding" or "woonding" each other. Judge Emmons fined them $10 each.

BOXING GOSSIP.

The many Lowell friends of Timmy Kearns, the Lawrence boxer who is quite as well known here as in his own town, will read with interest the following from the Cleveland Plain Dealer:

Eddie Connolly, with all his reputation had to take off his hat to little Timmy Kearns of Lawrence last night, for after Connolly had been unable to get to weight, 135 pounds, and forfeited the money posted, Kearns who weighed in as required, fought him to a draw and gave him all the trouble he wanted. The meeting took place in the Central Armory before an audience of fully 600 people, in spite of the blizzard. The preliminary bouts were soon over, for Tommy Grant disposed of A. Mahoney in three rounds and Al Cowell who was substituted for Jack Hammond against Len Beckwith, won in four rounds.

No boxing exhibition that has ever taken place in this city has been more of a surprise party than the Connolly-Kearns go. Kearns was practically unknown here, while Connolly, having defeated Frank Garrard and Jimmy Dime in three rounds, each in their best days, was looked upon as a wonder. Kearns' money was hard to find at any odds and bets were made at even money that the Lawrence lad would not last 12 rounds. In spite of all this, Kearns puzzled Connolly more than he has ever been puzzled in his life with the exception of a very few goes.

While it is true that Connolly did lead much more frequently than Kearns, it is also true that Kearns seldom failed to get in a bad poke every time that Connolly started unless he got away altogether. Kearns' footwork is the cleverest that has ever been seen in this city, barring none. It takes a clever man to stay 20 rounds with Eddie Connolly, and when it comes to making a draw of it, there is no mistake about the man who does it. Kearns certainly landed on Connolly much more frequently than Connolly landed on him, and when it came to clean square punches, he had a good deal the better of it. This was offset by Connolly's aggressiveness and the decision was the only just one that could have been made.

All in all, the contest was the cleanest and cleverest that has been seen here and a more satisfactory entertainment has seldom been given anywhere.

It was said that Connolly was six or seven pounds overweight, but his trainers claimed that he only weighed 136 ½, a pound and a half over the limit. Kearns stepped on the scales and did not move the beam at 135. He looked to be in splendid condition and showed the result of his careful training.

CRISP GOSSIP.

Read the following:

To the Editor Nashua Telegraph:

I have in my barn one of the curiosities of the world. I was doing my work in the barn and had raked down quite a lot of hay. In a short time there was quite a noise in the hay. I started with pitchfork in hand to ascertain what the trouble was, when to my great surprise there were nine large rats with their tails all twisted together and rolled up in a ball. They were so tight together they could not escape, so I killed them all. They are to be seen in my barn one mile from Townsend poor farm.

—Luther A. Blood.

Mason, February 19.

We don't know the man, though we will say that he lives in a temperance town. This may be a snake story changed over.

A friend just returned tells me that Nelson Morkell, formerly well known as a lieutenant of the late John Stetson is successful in business in London, where he is agent for a patent chemical fire extinguisher.

Mr. Morkell was connected with the Savoy and Lakeview theatres last season.

KICKED BY HORSE.

Joseph Vein, aged 21, living at 45 Franklin street, Lawrence, was kicked in the face by a horse Monday and had both jaws fractured and was otherwise bruised. His injuries may be fatal. He is now resting comfortably at the general hospital.

Vein was leading a horse belonging to Michael Golden, peddler, of Valley street, to the drinking fountain at the junction of White, Bradford and Concord streets, when at the corner of Lowell and Amesbury streets the animal became unmanageable and kicked Vein in the face.

He presented a horrible sight and for some distance about the streets the way was a mass of blood. The police were summoned and Inspector Sheehan with the wagon took him to the general hospital where Drs. Dow, Howard and Chamberlain attended him. Vein is in a critical condition.

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FIGHTING THE BILL.

PROPRIETARY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA RAISES STRONG PROTEST.

The Proprietary association of America is engaged in a strong protest against the passage of the following act which has been introduced into the legislature:

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1.—Whoever sells any patent or proprietary medicines, except upon the written prescription of a physician, shall affix to the bottle, box or wrapper containing the article sold a label upon which shall be printed in clear type and in plain view of the purchaser the name and percentum of each ingredient contained in such medicine.

Whoever neglects to affix such label shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence.

Section 2.—This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The association's claims against the bill are briefly as follows:

"It is a deathblow aimed at proprietary medicines, inasmuch as it requires the placing of the ingredients of each medicine upon the label. The moment such a bill becomes a law, the proprietary interest which the manufacturer now holds in his article would become public property. In order to comply with the laws of one state alone—that of Massachusetts—the manufacturer would never consent to make his formula public property and the state would therefore be deprived of large revenues in taxes, a large industry would be wiped out, and foreign advertisers would be excluded from doing any business within your state. Is it not time to call a halt on meddlesome doctors who would wish a law passed that they would never consent to apply to their own prescriptions which are compounded in secrecy with a recipe in Latin.

BOYLE O'REILLY CIRCLE

HAD A PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION LAST NIGHT.

The John Boyle O'Reilly Reading Circle had a patriotic celebration last night in honor of the anniversary of Washington's Birthday.

The circle entertained in its new rooms in Associate hall and about sixty young men were in attendance. The room was set as a drawing room and a beautiful portrait of Washington stood on an easel, surrounded by the national colors. The exercises were opened by Thomas Delaney, who extended a welcome and dwelt on the occasion of the gathering. The main feature of the evening was an oration by John R. Shea, on Washington. Mr. Shea is a member of the club and he delivered a very able paper.

There were piano solos by John Kelty, James Cahill, and James Gookin; vocal selections by Peter A. Clane, David A. McHugh, D. P. Martin, J. E. Donnelly, Peter Ball; recitations, J. T. Hennessey and W. D. Regan; clarionet solo, Stephen Monahan. During the evening, lunch was served by Caterer Leclaire. The committee in charge included John J. Murphy, James Healey, Timothy Harrigan.

A MESSAGE OF HELP FOR SICK CHILDREN.

It is a fact that our people have heretofore not had the same opportunity for having their children who suffer from chronic or lingering complaints treated and cured by eminent specialists in children's diseases as do the residents of the great cities where such skilled physicians reside. Dr. Greene of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., who is beyond doubt the most successful specialist in curing diseases of children, offers to give free consultation by mail in all cases of children's complaints. Write Dr. Greene immediately about your child. It certainly can be cured.

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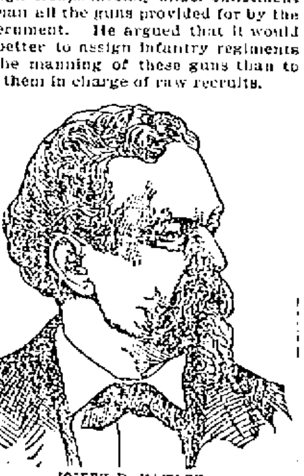
THE U. S. ARMY INCREASED

Senate Passes a Bill for Addition to Artillery Force.

Only Four Votes in Opposition—Session of House Enlivened by [illegible]tburst of Oratory—Annex-Oc[illegible]n Question Discussed.

Key Wes[illegible] Feb. 23.—As soon as the [illegible] historic farewell address the court o[illegible] was concluded by Mr. aster arrive[illegible] chusetts in the senate house tender[illegible] Hawley of Connecticut, gan their w[illegible] the military affairs com- morning. [illegible]ed up the bill providing for important[illegible] ment of two additional regi- Lieutena[illegible] of artillery for service in manning deck [illegible] heavy coast defense batteries which Congress has provided during the past two years. Mr. Bate objected to the bill because it tended to an increase in the army, to which he was unalterably opposed. He thought that there were enough troops already under enlistment to man all the guns provided for by the government. He argued that it would be better to assign infantry regiments to the manning of these guns than to put them in charge of raw recruits.



JOSEPH R. HAWLEY.

In reply Mr. Hawley pointed out that the strength of the army was really decreasing in proportion to the inhabitants of the country. In addition, he said, congress had made large appropriations in recent years for great guns for forts and coast defense stations. Of these guns 139 were of large calibre and delicate mechanism. To these must be added 232 rifled steel mortars already placed in the coast defense stations. In order that these guns may be properly handled a body of trained artillerists is necessary. Each of these great war engines requires to handle it as much skill as it requires to run a locomotive or an ordinary river steamer. The war department estimates that the 1600 men which this bill calls for will be necessary to man these guns properly.

Mr. Cockerell was opposed to an increase in the infantry or cavalry arms of the service, but in this case the country was confronted by a serious condition. He regarded it as necessary that the guns provided by the government should be properly manned and cared for. For that reason as a member of the committee he voted to have the bill favorably reported.

The bill was then passed, 52 to 4.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama secured the adoption of a resolution instructing the committee on naval affairs to inquire and report to the senate whether a warship to be named the George Washington and to be equal to the most powerful in the world could be constructed and commissioned within 12 months.

Cuba usurped the place of Hawaii in the executive proceedings. This proceeding was based upon a document presented by Senator Morgan as the result of an interview between himself and Mr. Koop of Boston. The latter said that he had been in 34 provinces and had spent more or less time in each of them in the prosecution of his inquiries. In no place outside of Havana was any effort made to take care of the reconcentrados, and he declared that the people were dying in great numbers in all places in which they had been collected by the Spanish authorities, both as a result of the cruelty of the Spanish troops and from lack of food. He declared that there is no evdence in the provinces of a more liberal treatment of these unfortunate people under the administration of General Blanco than under the Weyler regime, and the people in general are in just as deplorable a condition now as they had been before the change. In no case are the reconcentrados allowed to go outside the military posts to collect food, and while there is some effort in certain instances to grow crops in the immediate vicinity of the garrisons, these crops do not extend more than 500 yards from the forts. He added that if the people were allowed to get out they could get enough to eat to keep soul and body together, but even when small children attempted to go outside the guard line they were shot down as ruthless as if they were enemies in arms. He had seen women and children abused by the Spanish soldiery, and a favorite pastime seemed to be to kick the women about as if they were dogs. Mr. Kopp also devoted considerable space, at Mr. Morgan's suggestion, to the scheme of autonomy under the liberal ministry and pronounced it a failure from one end of the island to the other. Business is at a standstill throughout the country. Few crops are growing, and desolation and ruin stare the traveler in the face wherever he goes.

AGAINST HAWAII.

Republican Representative Treats his Colleagues to a Decided Sensation.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The Democrats favored an observance of Washington's birthday, but the Republicans with few exceptions opposed the proposition, and a session was held as usual. In the course of the day Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.) created a sensation by delivering an emphatic speech against the annexation of Hawaii. His remarks were met by many demonstrations of approval from the Democratic side. Whether the present government of Hawaii was a de facto or a de jure government, he declared that it misrepresented the people of Hawaii, whose rights it was ready to proffer away. How long had it been, he asked, since we had passed a bill to keep out the ignorance of the old world, that we now proposed to annex territory in which ignorance was the rule. We passed a Chinese exclusion act; now it is proposed to annex territory which contains a large Chinese population. It would be unwise and shortsighted if we should cut loose from all the traditions of the past and rashly embark on the unknown sea of territorial aggrandizement. Today the cry is "Give us Hawaii;" tomorrow it will be "Give us Cuba" and the next day "Give us Samoa." These appeals would all be justified by the pleasant sophistries which appeal to our vanity and cupidity until at last we would find ourselves irretrievably committed to a policy unnecessary to the material happiness of our people, hurrying along a path strewn with the wrecks of empires and of nations. (Applause)

He did not deny that the acquisition of foreign territory had added to the prosperity of nations, but history showed it to have been ultimately a source of weakness. Cupidity bred oppression, it piled up taxes, it stirred up strife, it shed human blood, it was the first step toward dismemberment. Let the nations of the old world pursue this policy of aggrandizment to their heart's content; let them saddle their people with debt, equip armies and navies and shed oceans of blood. Let England boast, if she please, that the sun never set upon her territory; but let us remember it never went down upon the misery her policy had created. Let wars and rumors of war bring anxiety to the faces of her colonists, but let the flower of her colonies which broke away from her domination 100 years ago and which, by pursuing the opposite policy, had outstripped her, continue to stand as an example to the civilized world. While others sought war and its horrors, let us soothe our people with enduring peace."

The demonstration which greeted the conclusion of Mr. Johnson's speech was one of the greatest and most spontaneous witnessed in this congress. Many of the Republicans joined it, and the galleries, which were crowded, gave evidences of approval. Members thronged about the Indiana member when he took his seat and warmly congratulated him.

Mr. Jones (Fusionist, Wash.) delivered a general speech in opposition to existing conditions which aroused the minority to enthusiasm. Mr. Simpson (Pop., Kan.) created amusement by some observations. He was speaking of the tendency of the times to produce millionaires on the one hand and paupers on the other, and was directing his remarks especially at Mr. Walker, when Mr. Perkins (Rep., Ia.) asked him if he would object to being a millionaire.

"I should not," replied Mr. Simpson amid laughter. "I don't believe in playing the hypocrite; but that I am not a millionaire is evidence of my direct declination to take advantage of my fellow man."

"If you were a millionaire I presume you would admit that there was some respectability among them?"

"Yes, I have no doubt I should add at least an air of respectability to them." (Laughter)

Mr. Walker replied to Mr. Simpson, denouncing the other side for its reiterated aspersions upon men of wealth. Turning to the southern members, he declared impulsively that he had given to the cause of education in the south more than all of them together had contributed. "Figure it out," he said with feeling, "and you will find I have given two dollars for every one you have contributed. I am tired of this abuse. I stand here in the integrity of an honest life. I have given away more than I now possess. You have driven me to this statement; now hang your heads in shame." (Great applause on Republican side)

RHODE ISLAND ENDEAVORERS.

Providence, Feb. 23.—The Christian Endeavor convention was brought to a close last night. The report of the enrollment committee showed that 475 endeavorers had registered. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, E. P. Metcalf of Providence; first vice president, Rev. Walter Green of Fiskeville; second vice president, Gertrude E. Church of Westerly; recording secretary, Winfred J. Curtis of Westerly; corresponding secretary, Frank O. Bishop of Providence; treasurer, Anson F. Bennett of Providence; superintendent of junior work, Mrs. B. W. Gallup of Woonsocket.

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That the Strikers Were All Armed.

MRS. BONNER'S TESTIMONY AGAINST STRIKERS.

All Kinds of Fake Stories Submitted.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 23.—At Sheriff Martin's trial yesterday Mrs. John Bonner testified that on Sept. 10, she saw the McAdoo strikers come from different directions. They were armed with sticks and pieces of iron. She told her boy to go in the brush.

Michael Dogostine, an Italian, testified that he saw the strikers when they came along. He went into an outhouse. The strikers forced the building and pulled him out. He told them he was sick, and they allowed him to go. On cross examination the witness described how the crowd came into the village and drove the people like goats.

Mrs. Annie Draper, aged 52, who was very feeble, testified that on Sept. 10 the strikers came through Cranberry. They acted like wild men. One man was armed with a club and another with a revolver. Another man picked up a stone and threw it at her.

The stone weighed nearly a pound and was produced in court. Attorney Lenahan held the stone up before the jurors and said: "This is one of the stones the strikers picked up to strike matches with."

Thomas McNellis said he had charge of six men who were working on the road when the strikers came along. They wanted the men to stop work. McNellis expostulated with them. He told them that his men were not working for the coal company. The strikers, however, were threatening, and the men, seeing they were outnumbered, agreed to surrender and go along with the strikers.

NAMED A TICKET.

Providence, Feb. 23.—The Prohibition party of Rhode Island held its state convention Washington's birthday for the nomination of state officers for the April election. Delegates from 27 towns were present, and the following men were nominated by the party: For governor, Edwin A. Lewis of Westerly; lieutenant governor, E. D. Harp of East Providence; secretary of state, Joseph Peckham; treasurer, Elisha T. Read of Woonsocket.

EXPLOSION OF A BOMB.

Montpellier, France, Feb. 23.—A bomb was exploded at the residence of Mr. Messino, a former president of the chamber of commerce. Serious damage was done, but there was no loss of life. The police have discovered three similar bombs in the vicinity of the headquarters of the staff and at the railroad depot. Several anarchists have been here for several days.

FEROCITY OF WHITES.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 23.—Postmaster Baker, whose appointment gave great offence to the white people in Lake City, Williamsburg county, S. C., was burned out of his house by an armed mob of 100 whites. Baker and an infant were killed, and his wife and three daughters were maimed for life.

AMERICAN MECHANICS.

Boston, Feb. 23.—The annual session of the state council of United American Mechanics was held yesterday. Forty-four new representatives were admitted and duly obligated. The following officers were elected and installed by National Councillor Goff: Councillor, W. I. Proctor of Marblehead; vice councillor, Fred L. Moses of Charlestown; council secretary, C. C. Littlefield of Charlestown; treasurer, Daniel Parlin of Worcester; inductor, W. F. Allen of Salem; examiner, G. H. Penniman of Malden; council protector, L. F. Fountain of Roxbury; representative to national council, B. W. Trefry of Marblehead; council trustees, C. S. Hilton of Lynn, E. B. Rogers of Boston and C. E. Burtt of Stoneham.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

London, Feb. 23.—The officers of the Hong Kong and Shanghai bank confirm the reports regarding the Chinese loan. It is at a low rate of interest, probably 3½ percent, and will be issued below par. The security is of two kinds, revenues already unpledged and international security in the shape of new ports to be opened, the port dues of which will be pledged, as will be, further, certain industrial and mining concessions as security for the loan.

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WILL RAISE THE MAINE

Secy. Long and a Wrecking Company Agree on Terms.

A Bonus Offered for Raising the Vessel—Work to be Done Before the Yellow Fever Season—The Combustion Theory Discussed.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The plans of the wrecking expedition for the relief of the Maine were completed yesterday after long conferences between Secretary Long and the representatives of the Merritt & Chapman company of New York and the Boston Towboat company. The companies had expected to begin work in Havana harbor in about a week, but at the last moment Mr. Long insisted that a provision should be made for sending forward at once at least one large wrecking boat, with divers and equipment. This was agreed to, and a dispatch was sent to the captain of the seawrecker Right Arm, now at Key West, to suspend his private work there and proceed at once to Havana. If the Right Arm has started north a torpedo boat will be sent after her with orders to proceed to Havana. At the same time a dispatch was sent to the New York office of the company to send two of the most experienced divers by train to Key West, when they will go to Havana and join the divers and wreckers on the Right Arm.

The commander of the Right Arm is ordered to place himself, with his divers and machinery, under the orders of Captain Sigsbee, who thus will be free to avail himself of their services in the recovery of bodies or any particularly desirable pieces of equipment or property, before the regular wrecking operations begin. These are emergency steps which precede the main wrecking expedition, which will be outfitted at Boston, New York and Norfolk.

The terms of the contract provide for the payment to the wrecking companies of the sum of $871 per day for their regular plant and an additional payment of $500 per day for the use of the Monarch while the latter is actually employed. An express provision is made that the government may terminate the contract at any moment. It is also provided that the compensation shall not exceed the sum of money ($200,000) appropriated by congress for this purpose. Finally it is provided that if the companies succeed in raising the Maine and towing her to New York they shall receive a bonus of $100,000.

In view of the large first cost of the Maine, about $5,000,000, and the national desire that she shall be raised, as evidenced by the prompt and unanimous action of congress upon the joint resolution, Secretary Long believes that he is fully justified in making the above terms, though at first thought the per diem compensation seems large. It must be borne in mind, however, he said, that this will constitute the largest wrecking expedition ever equipped in this country. Moreover, the wreckers expressed a willingness to go to work in the usual way that they serve underwriters, namely, to do the wrecking and then take the award of a board of arbitration. This plan, however, was not open to the government, which is compelled by law to fix exact terms in advance. A clause of the contract requires the companies to proceed with all dispatch and in a business like manner with the work of wrecking, and though this haste adds to the cost of the work it is believed to be necessary in view of the possibility of the early appearance of yellow fever at Havana harbor with the approach of the rainy season next month.

In addition to the emergency work to be prosecuted by the Right Arm, the main expedition will be made up of about 100 men, including six skilled divers; the wrecking steamer Underwriter of Boston, of 600 horse power; the wrecking steamer John G. Jones of Norfolk, of similar power; the iron barge Lone Star of Boston, capable of carrying 3000 tons; the floating derrick Monarch, capable of lifting 260 tons, the largest floating derrick in the country, and another derrick capable of lifting 20 tons.

The wreckers were loath to express an opinion as to their ability to raise the hull of the Maine. Mr. Chapman and Captain Humphreys stated that nothing but a close personal inspection would permit a decision on that point. They are hopeful, however, that the ship can be brought to the surface. The Lone Star will be used to receive the turrets, guns and wreckage, and as fast as loads are made up she will be towed to the Norfolk navy yard.

In explanation of the order to the Norfolk navy yard officials to have the Terror in condition for service, Secretary Long said this had been given to replace the Maine, it being deemed desirable that the armored fleet should not fall below a certain number. There was very little work to be done on the Terror, and 48 hours should suffice to finish it. The Terror is our most powerful double-turreted monitor and, although not as effective at sea as a battleship, in the smooth waters of a harbor she probably would be able to hold her own against almost any craft.

The navy department received a dispatch from Captain Sigsbee last evening saying that 14 more bodies had been recovered from the wreck. All are unidentified. It is not thought that any bodies will be identified hereafter unless by the clothing. Aside from the effect of long submersion, the men still missing were nearly all directly under the main deck which was blown up, and the tremendous force of the explosion probably blotted scores of them out of existence entirely.

TOOK ON COAL.

Captain of the Spanish Man-of-war not Afraid of Explosives.

New York, Feb. 23.—Two Lehigh Valley coal barges were towed to the Vizcaya yesterday and their cargoes transferred to the man-of-war. The vessel needed coal, and Captain Eulate decided to take on board a supply here, having no fear that any explosives would be hidden in it. The water boat Croton also visited the Vizcaya and filled her tanks with fresh water.

The coal for the Vizcaya came from the Baltimore and Ohio railroad terminus at St. George. It was loaded in the barges under the inspection of men from the United States navy, and the barges were watched by a navy tug.

FOUR DIVERS AT WORK.

Havana, Feb. 23.—Lieutenant G. F. Holman, navigator and ordnance officer of the Maine, was examined at the morning session of the court of inquiry yesterday. At the afternoon session Lieutenant Commander Wainwright, executive officer of the Maine, was called.

Four divers are at work, two in the fore part of the Maine and the others aft. The task is most laborious. The men are extremely careful, as they have had to work in complete darkness, and several have had bad falls. Electric lights, worked from the Mangrove, are now available, and much good is expected from them. Nearly all the possible salvage has been moved from the cabin aft. The efforts to reach the ward and mess rooms are frustrated by an unknown obstacle. It is expected to find bodies in these rooms. Three cases of 10-inch ammunition have been found, one having exploded, the others full of powder. These were forward.

The work of securing the bodies under the hatch has been most difficult in the dark, but it is hoped that the electric lights will be of great assistance. The bodies are much mutilated and some are partially burned. The bodies of 12 firemen have been taken out from under the hatch leading from the superstructure to the fireroom. None was recognized, and all were necessarily dismembered in course of removal.

LOVING WORDS OF SYMPATHY.

Boston, Feb. 23.—Washington's birthday was the theme of discussion at the annual celebration by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company yesterday. Naturally, most of the speakers took occasion to say something of the officers and men who lost their lives in the recent disaster in Havana harbor, while many who addressed the gathering also had much to add as to the importance of the task the company has recently set about—the preservation of Faneuil hall.

A most interesting event was the reading of a cablegram received by Colonel Bradley from the London company. This sympathetic message was as follows: "Members of Honorable Artillery company wish to convey to their comrades in Boston and the whole of your great nation their deep sympathy in the great calamity that has befallen you by the untimely death of so many of your gallant officers and seamen by the sad disaster while on duty."

Colonel Bradley sent the following reply: "Assembled in honor of the birthday of Washington, our hearts are touched by your loving words of sympathy. God bless our brothers and comrades of the Honorable Artillery company. Have sent copy of your message to the president at Washington."

THE COMBUSTION THEORY.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The most potent sign that the first and exciting stage of the Maine disaster has been passed was the fact that only a single cablegram was received yesterday at the navy department relating to that event. Captain Sigsbee telegraphed: "Send to Forsyth for Sigsbee a transverse sectional drawing of the Maine through the forward 10-inch magazine and shell room, showing pocket coal bunkers." This request was immediately complied with. It is supposed that Captain Sigsbee wants these drawings to assist in the work of raising the ship, as they would be of great aid to the divers. They will be useful also as the basis for the testimony now being taken by the court of inquiry at Havana. The fact that it is deemed essential that the drawings shall show the pocket coal bunkers, which abut on the magazine, is evidence that Captain Sigsbee has in mind the spontaneous combustion theory, though it does not follow by any means that he is committed to it.

Some of the employes of the navy department have been making estimates of the amount of money that will be required to meet the demands of the joint resolution which Mr. Boutelle proposes to introduce in the house allowing a year's sea pay to the families of the dead sailors and money for lost clothing and effects not to exceed a year's pay to the survivors. They fix the sum at not to exceed $150,000.

CRAMP UNDETERMINED.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—A number of photographs of the Maine were submitted to Charles H. Cramp for an expert opinion. After carefully examining them, Mr. Cramp said: "The damage wrought by the explosion as shown by the photographs was something terrible. After seeing the pictures I am more undetermined than ever as to the real cause of the disaster. The appearance of the wreck indicates that there were two terrific explosions. One thing is certain—if the wreck is as bad below the water as it appears above, and the inference is natural that the portion covered by the water is in a worse state than that above it, the government will never be able to raise the torn and twisted mass of steel except by the use of coffer-dams. In my opinion the proposition to raise what is left of her with pontoons is impracticable, and the building of coffer-dams is absolutely necessary."

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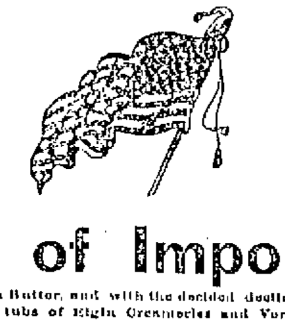

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PALACES RISE FROM THE ASHES OF "LE GRAND PALAIS."

Paris Preparing to Surprise the World With Its Architecture.

PROPORTIONS WILL BE OF CLASSIC GRANDEUR.

Structures That Will Replace the Famous Palace of Industry, Built in 1855.

The two principal buildings of the Monster Universal Exposition, which is to be held in Paris during 1900, will be the "Grand Palais," and its more dainty sister the "Petit Palais," or "Palais Girault" as it is sometimes known in honor of its architect. These two magnificent structures, the translation into marble and mortar of the beautiful dreams of their poet-architects, are to be permanent edifices, "solidly built for all time." This fact, together with their own structural beauty and grandeur of proportions, make them especially interesting and worthy of description.

The "Grand Palais," now in course of construction, is situated on the west side of the avenue Nicholas II, and will cover 32,000 square metres of ground surface. The foundations are all ready finished, and the walls have reached a height of ten or more feet. The material used is the light-colored building stone of Paris. Soon this stately building, with its massive architecture and its impressive rows of splendid columns, will be one of the sights of Paris. Here painting, sculpture and music will have their home.

The site of the "Petit Palais" is on the eastern side of the avenue Nicholas II, directly opposite the "Grand Palais." The "Petit Palais" will occupy only one quarter the ground space covered by its more massive and dignified neighbor across the way; nevertheless in all the details of its graceful architecture it will be in complete harmony with the more imposing grandeur of the "Grand Palais." M. Girault, the architect, made a careful study of the leading art museums of Europe and the United States before submitting his design to the jury of architects; and it is thought that, for the purposes intended, the exhibition of retrospective art, the "Petit Palais" will be the most perfect structure in the world. A beautiful garden will occupy the central portion of the palace. The method employed in lighting the building, so that the paintings and statues may be seen to the best advantage, is especially good.

These two palaces will cost $4,000,000; and will be the repository of the most valuable art treasures of France. Here the salons of the future will be held; and hither the devotees of art will come to dream over and to study and worship the masterpieces of the great painters and sculptors.

Like phoenixes, these stately edifices are arising above the ruins of the once famous Palais de l'Industrie which, with its gorgeous central dome, was one of the most striking and interesting features of the exposition of 1889. Blocks of stone are being taken from the demolished building and used in the construction of the sister palaces; so that this old historic building, loved by all Paris, is having a new birth in these two fairer daughters.

The Palais de l'Industrie has long been one of the famous buildings of Paris; not because of its architectural beauty, but because of its history, the many interesting events which have occurred within its walls and the value of its contents. Here were the Chamber of the Emperor and the Chamber of the Empress, a sight of which made the student of history dream dreams of the past glories of France, when the eagles of the Emperor perched above the thrones of all Europe. The building was constructed in 1855; and has played a prominent part in all the expositions which have occurred since that date. It has seen history made. The thunder of artillery has rolled out more than once within sound of its lofty dome; and battles have been fought almost at its very doors. It witnessed the death of an empire and the birththroes of a republic. It knew the horrors of the long seige; and saw the triumphant march of the victorious Germans through the streets of the conquered city. But it was mortal; and now not a stone of the memorable structure stands one above the other. For a time Paris will miss it; but Paris is forgetful.

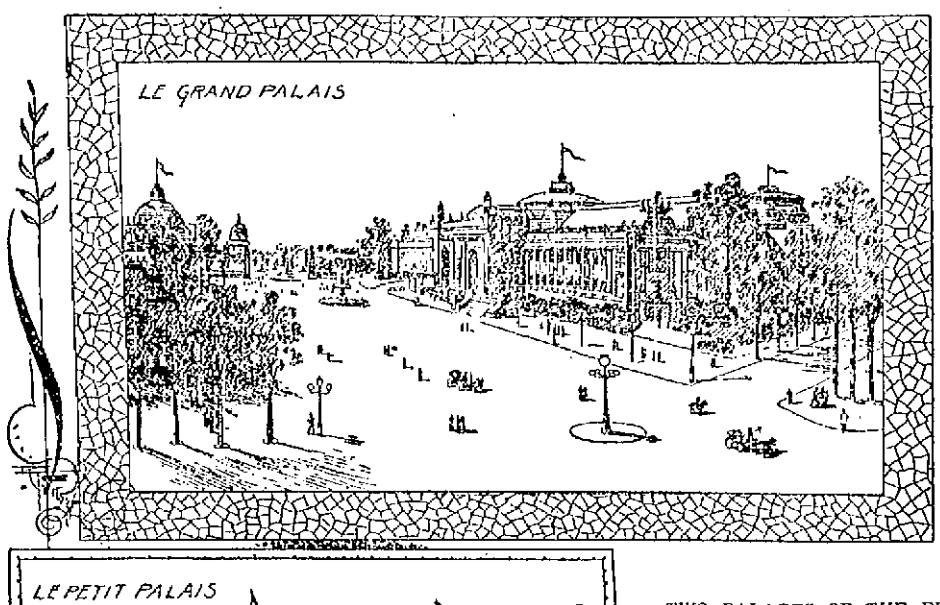
The chief characteristics of the world's fair in 1900 will be color and novelty. In these two things it is the aim of France to make the coming fair excel anything the world has yet seen.

All buildings must harmonize with the general plan; and to effectually secure this desideratum no structure will be allowed to be erected unless its plans have been approved by the superintendent of architecture. The buildings will be ornate in their ornamentation, graceful in architecture and most brilliant in the display of colors—typical of the artistic sense and lively brilliancy of the French people.

No special features ever produced before will be allowed to exhibit. The fair must stand alone in its unique originality. Yet those who love artistic novelty will find it in Paris in 1900.

To begin with there will be a street of theatres, named "Rue Paris." In these delightful pleasure-houses, which will be small and yet elaborately supplied with scenery and accessories, will be presented plays by living French dramatists under the direction of the playwrights themselves. This will enable the student to study contemporaneously, the writers of French plays.

Another unique feature will be a realistic trip from Paris to Constantinople. This is to be brought about through an elaboration of the principle involved in the kinetoscope; and the visitor, while sitting comfortably in a chair, can see moving before him the chief scenes of an actual journey from Paris to Constantinople. It will not be as interesting as the reality; but it will come as near to it as the wonderful inventive genius of the dying century can make it, and will be cheaper and a thousand times more comfortable and speedy. The magicians, with their wonderful magic carpets, will have to look to their laurels.



TWO PALACES OF THE FRENCH EXPOSITION.

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Germany's Barracks for Its War Heroes.

HOW THE VETERANS LIVE

The Walls Made Famous by the Soldiers of European Wars.

Berlin.—In the year 1747 Frederic II, the great king, then called Young Fritz, laid the corner stone of "The Home for Invalid Soldiers" in a dreary plain of sand, destitute of beauty and fertility, on the banks of the Spree. Noble was the purpose and the sandy desert has blossomed as the rose. Here the institution still flourishes, and here it still preserves the old traditions of Prussia's greatness.

"We must provide for our old friends, the soldiers," was said by the great king, more than one hundred and fifty years ago. His words were followed by the founding of an institution which still exists, and in which are still preserved the traditions of Prussia's great days.

A secure and comfortable retreat, another Sans Souci, the king desired to create for the faithful followers who had risked life and limb for him, and Prussia. There they have lived, each according to his years, cultivating their land, in rest and peace.

Many have been the changes among the dwellers of the institution, which at first was built upon the sandy meadow land, then later stood amidst blooming gardens, and to-day rises in the heart of the great bustling city of Berlin.

After the last war the institution could scarcely hold the number entitled to admission, and it is to be hoped that their number will not increase, for the great gates open only to reserve within its walls when Mars rules without its gates.

The building is three stories in height, and one hundred and seventy feet in length. It is a little world living and existing behind thick walls and iron grating, with the impress of another age upon it.

It would require but little effort to imagine oneself among veterans of Lenthen and Roszbach, brandishing their canes while their powdered queues dance upon their backs; to hear soldiers of Katzbach and Leipsic talking of Blucher and Shornhorst. Now another generation, and the bearers of other names are seen on the white painted doors leading to the dwellings; those who storme the Dupplor intrenchments, those who fought at Konggratz or stood the fire of Chassepots and Mitrailleuse. Then they were young and strong; now they are earnest and feeble, white haired, gray-bearded men, living with their families, or alone, in bachelor quarters with their memories. Seldom is the foot of a visitor heard—and peace reigns everywhere.

Between the buildings lies the cannon yard. There among the shaded avenues the cannon lift their long silent mouths threateningly in the air. Once a week, however, gay life holds sway under the lindens when the band of the regiment gives a concert in honor of the veterans. Then all the members of the community, young and old meet to laugh and dance away the solemn stillness of the place, while through the great iron gateway, over which from a marble column, the Prussian eagle stands guard, gazes the curious outer world. Then the veterans as though in dreams, listen again to the music that lured them in years gone by, to the battle field. Wives chat of their household affairs, children laugh and dance in the sunshine, young girls in tennis blouse jest and flirt, so that even the veterans of three campaigns yonder, becomes infected with the merriment of the hour. The sunbeams keep up their golden play through the green leaves, and sparkle and flash up on the helmet of the drum major. Then the trumpet again sounds the [illegible] to attack, and again the spirit leads the veteran to the [illegible] Fatherland—to victory—[illegible] "The Invalid Soldiers' [illegible]

When the weather is [illegible] veterans may be seen [illegible] dividual gardens cultivating [illegible] ries, roses, salad and [illegible] under the ancient tr[illegible] friends.

On the life of these [illegible] he an element of sadn[illegible] factor which belongs to [illegible] German soldier, which one [illegible] stand to comprehend these [illegible] their destiny. No truer, nobler [illegible] exist, however, than these sai[illegible] erans, who have sacrificed fortune a[illegible] health for the Fatherland.

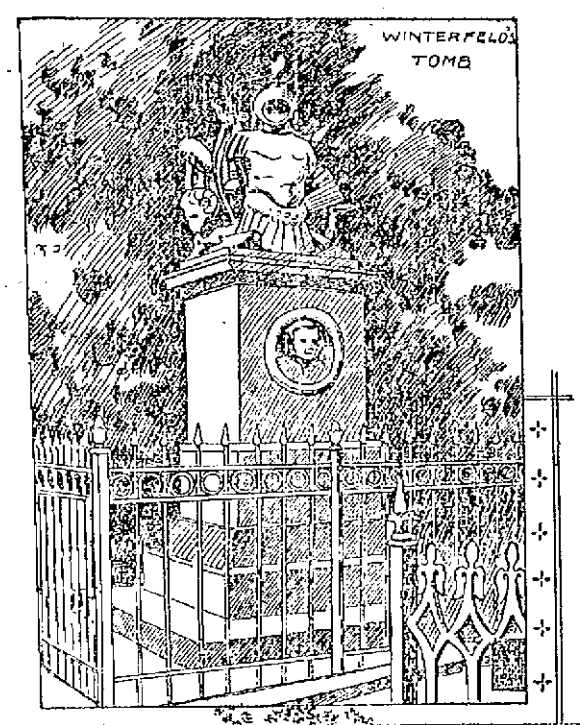
When one sees these veterans at roll-call, their breasts decorated with cross and ribbon, not one of which has been gained at court, or princely castle, but on the field of battle, when one sees them bowed and bent, on crutches, blind, scarred, then one feels the deepest reverence.

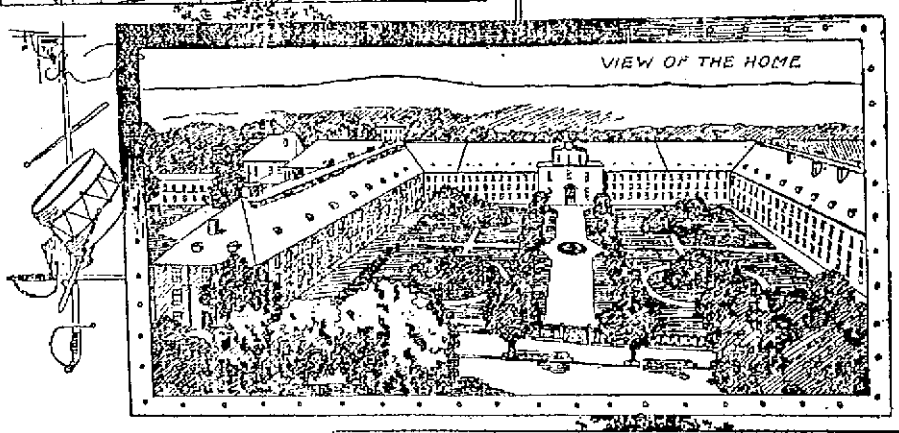
In the Casino in the morning, only the married men meet to drink the health of the great Emperor under his portrait. At mess old anecdotes of old campaigns go the rounds and jests from the different military journals enliven the messes.

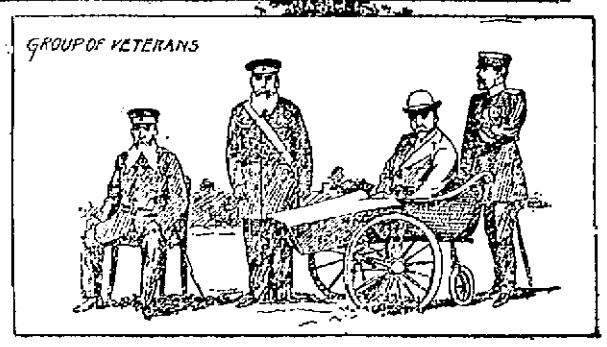
Some distance, in the rear of the institution, covering two and a half acres, is the graveyard of the invalid soldiers. Many a celebrated name may be read in epitaph, on this field of honor. There lie the two great heroes in the "War for Freedom" Scharnhorst, and Frederic Friesen, of Lutzow. Close by them is Winterfeld's grave, the friend of Frederic the Great—so reads the inscription on the base of the monument. This sacred place is watched and tended as though it were a garden.

And there, dreaming under the lindens, which Frederic the Great himself planted, many a veteran dreams of the hour when the call which is followed by no reveille, for him, will sound—for the last mustering in Walhalla.

There are 100 different ways of preparing potatoes for the table.







WHERE THE GERMAN VETERAN RESTS.

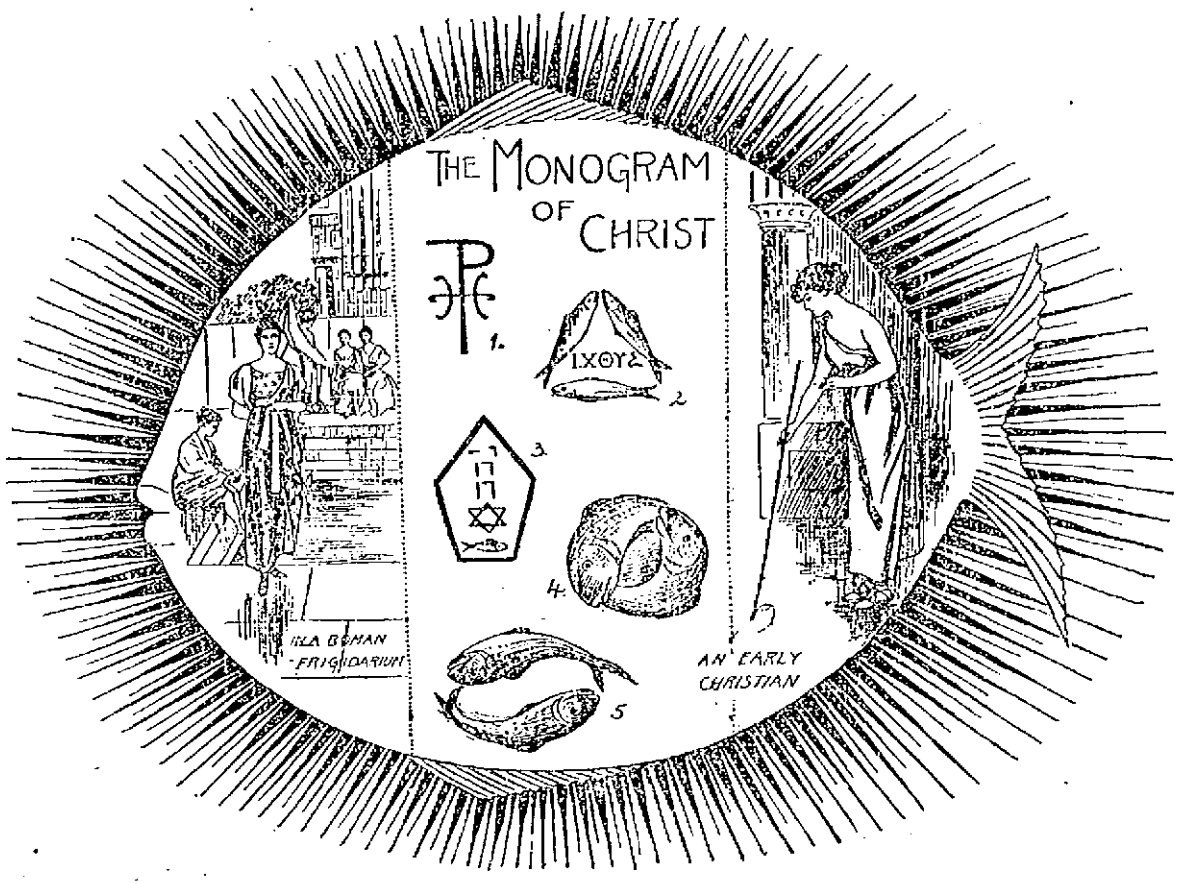
The Story of the Monogram of Christ.

Pictures That Throw Light On "Quo Vadis."

SYMBOL OF THE FISH,

With "Quo Vadis" still stirring the world, the story of the Christian emblem or monogram, as developed by the most recent researches, becomes a subject of unusual interest. The actual use of the words whose initial letters from the Greek word for fish (ichthus) were first used, it is asserted in 83 B. C., when the Cumnean Sibyl in the Temple of Jupiter at Rome predicted the coming of one "Jesous Chreistos Theou Uios Soter," or freely translated, "Jesus Christ, Son of God, and Saviour of Men." This famous sybilline oracle has been put into acrostic form as follows:

Judgement impends. Lo! the earth reeks with sweat;
He, the destined king of future ages, comes;
Soon he descends—the Judge in human form;
On speeds the God—his friends and foes behind him.
Vengeance he wears, enthroned with his holy ones.
Turn to the guilty, burning in endless flames.
O'er hidden deeds of darkness no veil shall be spread.
Sinners to their God will reveal their secret thoughts.
There will be a bitter wailing, there they gnash with their teeth.
Ebon clouds veil the sun; the stars their chorus cease;
O'er our heads the heavens roll not,—the lunar splendors fade.
Underneath the mountains lie; the valleys touch the sky.
Unknown the heights or depths of man—since all shall prostrate lie.
In the ocean's dark gulf sink the mountains and the plains.
Order casts away her empire; creation ends in chaos.
Swollen rivers and leaping fountains are consumed in flames.
Shrill sounds the trumpet; its blast rends the sky.
O fearful are the groanings, the sorrows of the doomed.
Tartarean chaotic depths the gaping earth reveals.
Earth's vaunted monarchs shall stand before their Lord.
Rivers of sulphur roll along and flames descend the sky.



THE PICTORIAL STORY OF THE FISH.

In the sign first given in the illustration only the initiated would be likely to recognize the well-known sign which stands for Pisces in the zodiac, the sign which marks the completion of the winter solstice and the beginning of the vernal equinox. Fewer still are aware that both are variants or conventionalized descendants from a remarkable Christian symbol, including three ishes formed into a triangle, and having engraved on it the words as shown in the second illustration. What is very likely the original of this peculiar sign occurs in a talisman which is said to be in possession of Lady Ellenborough, of England. It is of the third or fourth century and is known as a "Messianic" amulet. It is a green stone, of a pentagonal form, having engraved at the bottom a fish, above it Solomon's seal, and still higher the Chaldaic letters, Jod, He, Van, He, forming the name of the Deity and commonly translated "Jehovah," but running from below upward, so as to form the Egyptian Tau."

But there are other fish traditions that lend peculiar interest to the Christ emblem. In several of the Sanskrit books, the story is told of how the god Vischnu assumed the form of a fish during the deluge in order to save the Vedas, or sacred writings, from destruction; it was also Vischnu who enabled the Indian Noah to escape by the construction of an ark; and he also taught those who survived the Deluge the "lost arts," so to speak, of house building, agriculture, etc. And to round out this legendary series, we have the story of Oannes, the Babylonian fish-god, who appeared after the Deluge and did precisely the same things as the Phoenician Dagon, with the addition that he rose from the sea every morning and returned to it every night (practically a "Sun myth").

Now, the fish-god, or fish-man, reappears in the New Testament in the person of "Joshua, the son of Nun," who succeeded Moses in the command of the Israelites—for "Nun" is the Hebrew word for "fish."

Abrahanel was an eminent and scholarly Jewish rabbi, who lived in Lisbon in the middle of the fifteenth century, and was driven into Spain with the rest of the Jews, by King John, in 1492. He was celebrated for his wisdom as well as his erudition, and he explained the ichthyic mystery with regard to the Savior by stating that "the sign of the coming of the Messiah is the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the sign "Pisces." In this connection, it may be remarked that a poem by Jeanie Morrison, called "The Magi" begins with the following lines, supposed to be spoken by the aged Melchior:

"Saturn and Jupiter in Pisces joined
In watery trigon; to them added Mars
In fire;—is it not so, Balthasar mine?
Seven hundred years and ninety-four, four months,
Twelve days, since that conjunction last; and then
It shone to tell great Babylonia's birth,
Somewhat it now portends; I wot not what."

And then he turns the matter over to Caspar, and the "three wise men" consult upon that journey, which eventually led them, lighted by "the Star of Bethlehem," to the little Judaean town, the stable, the manger—and the Christ.

On certain ancient monuments in Mexico there has been found a curious symbol illustrating this subject; and, while the Toltecs had a tradition that they descended from a people—evidently the Israelites—Lord Kingsborough discovered in the Aztec language a very remarkable similarity to the Hebrew. En passant, it may be remarked that the Mexicans have their own flood legends, the counterpart of those of Genesis, and of Berosus, the Chaldee narrator, and numbers four and five show their religious emblem.

With regard to the conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn in Pisces, it will come very near happening in 1904, hence there are those who predict for that year either the second coming of Christ or the world's destruction.

PECULIAR THINGS ABOUT PEOPLE.

"The bone solo," remarked an old minstrel performer, "though once very popular, is regarded as a hoodoo in the burnt cork profession, and is never allowed any more under any circumstances. It is feared as much as the yellow clarionet, which, according to the superstitions of the show business, is one of the most fatal things that exist. The yellow clarionet not only induces bad—that is, poor—business, but in addition to this it causes trouble among performers, producers railroad accidents, and, in short, it winds performers and companies up. There was a time in the minstrel business when it was just as natural to have a bone solo played by some performer during the evening as it was to have a ballad sung, and the public took as kindly to one as it did the other. There was scarcely any difference between bone solos. They all sounded about the same and the imitations were always stereotyped. Haverly first put the ban on bone solos, and one of the clauses in the contracts he made with performers was that they would not under any circumstances while they were in his employ, either in private or public, attempt a bone solo. No minstrel performer can explain where the hoodoo comes in, but they fear it worse than any of the other omens of bad luck."—Wilmington Star.

It takes the tusks of over 76,000 elephants a year to supply the world's piano keys, billiard balls and knife handles.

A man can lose his head without being beheaded.

POSSIBLY NOT TO BLAME.

Mr. Jenks (who likes Miss Constance)—No, I assure you, Miss Constance, I have never indulged in flirtation.
Miss Constance (who does not care for Mr. Jenks)—Ah, perhaps you have never had any encouragement.

ONLY WAY OUT OF IT.

"Isn't it tiresome! I've just got a lovely new bicycle, and now my doctor absolutely forbids me to cycle! What would you advise me to do?"
"Change your doctor."

Making Up Her Mind.

"Why, Ethel, what are you doing with that big medical work in your lap?"

"Well, Arabella, you'd never guess, I am quite sure."

"You are not going to make a physician of yourself, are you?"

"Not at all. I am trying to find out which of my two suitors I love enough to marry. What do you think of that?"

"How can a cyclopaedia of medicine help you?"

"Well, it's this way. Mr. Spondulicks is fifty-seven years of age. He is worth £20,000, and has consumption. Mr. Dukkats is sixty-five years old. He is worth £20,000, and has consumption, gout. I thought perhaps this medical book would help me to make up my mind. I have about decided that I love Mr. Dukkats the better. Which would you love?"

Not long ago we thought it strange to find a crowing hen, but in this funny age of change most women would be seen.

The girls who took our hearts by storm and made us bow to fate, now tell us love is not good form, and marriage out of date.

So as we live where bloomers bring no blush of modest shame, they used to want a diamond ring, but now a diamond frame.

BIASED.

She—Yes; they say there's a fool in every family. Don't you think so? He—Er—Well, you see, I'm the only member of the family.

A SAD CATASTROPHE.

(1) The Goat: "A musical-box they call this, do they? Well, I dunno what that is, but I'll soon sample it.

(2) "Great scissors! wotever have I struck. Is it 'Tom Bowling' I hear?—Yes, it's 'Tom Bowling.' De-e-ar me!!! (Does a weep).

(3) "Ah, that's better—'Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay.' Good old 'Ta-ra-ra.' Wot's next, I wonder?——

(4) "'Dead March'—That's a settler, and no mistake. I knew I was a chump to eat a thing like that. Order my coffin at once, somebody."

His Frightful Predicament.

He walked up and down the room, gesticulating excitedly and saying uncomplimentary things about his rival.

"Talk about being between the devil and the deep sea!" he exclaimed. "Talk about the problem of the lady or the tiger! Why, this is a thousandfold worse than either!"

"What is it?" they asked.

"My rival has been carrying false stories about me to the girl I love!" he cried.

They laughed.

"Is that all?" they said. "Well, it wouldn't take any of us long to decide what we would do under those circumstances."

"He has insulted me in her presence," he went on bitterly.

"And what did you do?" they asked.

"Nothing," he answered. "I was powerless."

Again they laughed scornfully, and made merry jest at his expense.

"Powerless!" they said, "you, a large, strong man, powerless! A man calmly steps in and carries away your lady love, in addition to insulting you, and you claim to be powerless!"

"What would you have me do?" he inquired.

"At least," they insisted, "you could thrash him within an inch of his life; you could resent an insult by pounding him until he would figure principally as a nonentity for the next six or eight weeks."

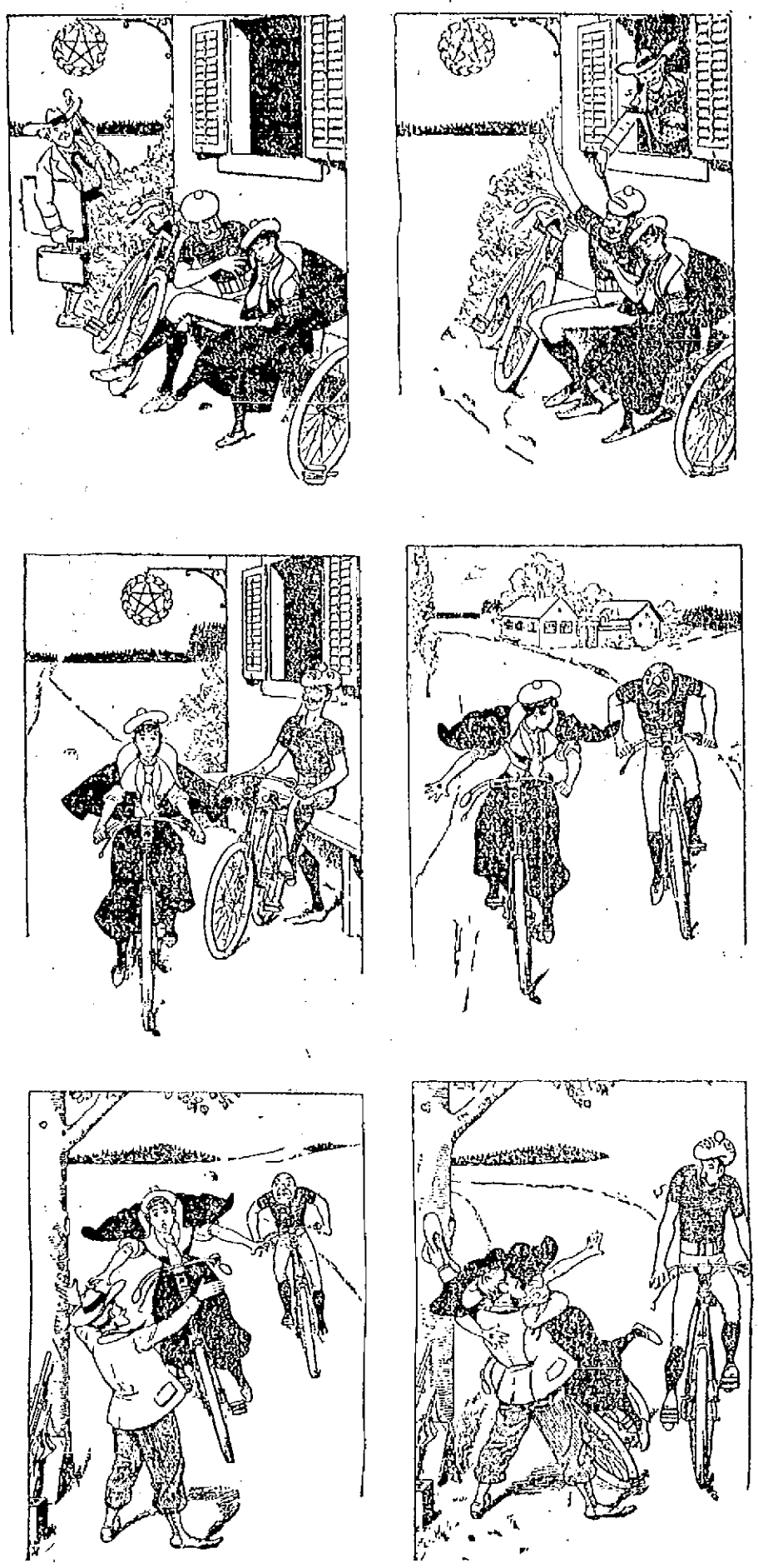
"Alas!" he moaned, "he carries both accident and life insurance in the company that I represent."

Then they realized that the young insurance agent spoke truly, when he referred to the lady, the tiger, the devil and the deep sea.

UNPACIFIED.

"Don't be afraid, my little dear; he won't hurt you. Don't you see he is wagging his tail?"
"Boo-hoo-hoo! but it ain't that end I'm afraid of."

THE ARTIST AS A RIVAL IN LOVE; OR, BEATEN THROUGH GROUNDLESS FEAR.



A FLY IN THE MUSICAL OINTMENT.

One of the disadvantages of performing at a country house in the wasp season (just in the most important passage, too).

THOSE TREACHEROUS MATS.

Act I.

Act II.
Act III.

Act IV.
Act V.

Act VI.

"Mr. Higgamore," said Miss Quickstep, firmly and distinctly, interrupting him, "you have called me a 'lump of sweetness' a great many times, but you have never said you would like to have me regularly with you morning coffee."

Whereupon Mr. Higgamore proposed. There was no way of escape.

A DESPERATE THREAT.
From Ally Sloper.

Boy—'Ere, let go, Miss; else I lets yer forl to the ground.

THE UNIQUE AND THE ODD.

A stranger, walking along a country road, met an Irishman, who was holding a ram by the horns, when the following conversation took place:—

"Will you hold this ram," said the Irishman, "while I climb over and open the gate from the other side?"

"Certainly," said the obliging stranger, as he seized the ram by the horns.

"Thanks," said the Irishman, when he got to the other side, "the vicious brute attacked me about an hour ago, and we have struggled ever since. As long as you stand before him holding his horns, he can't hurt you. Farewell, I hope you will be as lucky in getting away as I have been."

Lord Palmerston and Bishop Wilberforce were staying at a country house, and when Sunday came round, Lord Palmerston offered the bishop a lift to church. The bishop declined and proceeded on foot, but was overtaken by rain. When Lord P. passed in his carriage, he mockingly said:

"How blessed is he who ne'er consents by ill advice to walk!"

To which the bishop promptly answered:

"Nor stands in sinners' ways, nor sits where men profanely talk."

Mr Cross—That baby across the way seems to inherit its voice from both its parents.

Mrs. Cross—Why do you think so, dear?

Mr. Cross—It makes a great deal of noise like its father and keeps it up like its mother.—Boston Traveler.

Visitor—"I don't see why you can allow your son to flirt so outrageously with that pretty servant girl."

Hostess—"Sh-h! Her father is at Klondyke, and next summer he may be richer than any of us."

Fuddy—What has it to do with the case that the new doctor has lots of money?

Duddy—Everything, my dear boy. The man who is well heeled ought to be able to stamp out disease if anybody can do it.—Boston Transcript.

A man can lose his head without being beheaded.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON.

Southern Division.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
5 43	6 50	6 00	§7 05
6 35	7 45	6 23	7 45
6 42	7 5.	6 43	§7 35
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§7 38	8 15	*9 00	§9 36
§7 31	8 60	9 10	§10 25
*7 45	8 37	10 17	11 35
*8 50	9 40	10 43	11 58
9 16	10 26	11 35	§12 07
9 45	10 45	12 00	§12 54
11 00	12 04	*1 00	§1 38
§11 42	12 26	2 00	3 04
§12 16	1 03	*3 00	§3 38
1 41	2 36	3 47	5 03
3 00	4 23	4 14	§5 22
*§3 52	4 36	*5 40	6 45
4 35	5 30	5 34	6 25
§5 22	6 13	5 17	6 57
5 44	7 10	6 14	7 50
*§6 27	7 05	*7 30	§8 03
*§7 40	8 30	*8 00	§8 33
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Sunday Trains.

§7 20	8 10	2 15	§3 05
§7 28	8 15	9 00	§10 07
5 45	9 50	1 40	§1 57
§9 19	10 10	5 00	§5 29
§4 25	5 37	7 30	§8 18
§5 38	7 00	8 00	§8 35
		9 00	10 05

Western Division.

To Boston.		From Boston.	
Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
6 50	8 05	7 30	8 51
8 15	9 10	9 25	10 37
9 26	10 34	10 35	11 40
10 50	12 02	11 50	1 08
12 05	1 31	2 15	3 19
12 45	1 54	3 40	4 55
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Trains by this division leave Lowell from Middlesex street station.

Leave Boston from the new Union Station, Causeway Street.

* Express.

§ From Middlesex St. Station only.

n. Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

SLEIGHS

For sale cheap. Pung and traverse runner. J. H. Barry, 49 Market street.

A HOT DRINK AT DICKSON'S.

A good thing at this season, "Hershey's Celebrated Cocoa" served free at our store this week. Call in and sample. Dickson Bros. Big Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Dominion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada bills bought at Murphy's Steamship Agency, 18 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

"Coal is about out." Ring up W. E. Livingston's office, 15 Thorndike street, and order more.

BURN WILSON'S COAL.

A trial of Roarke & Sullivan's coal will insure satisfaction. Telephone, 713-2. Prompt delivery.

Watches cleaned $1.00. Mainsprings, $1.00. A1 work. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

The Highland Club Juvenile Comedy company gave a colonial entertainment at the club house yesterday afternoon. There were 150 children in the performance.

Messrs. Ring & Company, 221 Dutton street, are offering big bargains in Sewing Machines. Thier stock comprises all the leading makes from $16.00 up. Cash or credit and take old machines in exchange. It will pay you to call and see them.

THIRTY YEARS MARRIED.

At their residence, 100 Marginal street, from 4 to 10 p. m., yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. Appleton B. Sawtelle observed the 30th anniversary of their marriage. Among those present were Rev. C. L. Merriam and others from the Highland Congregational church, a number of the members of Highland Union lodge, D. of R., and friends from out-of-town. Refreshments were served and a merry time had. The worthy couple were congratulated and among the presents received was a landscape picture from shopmates of Mr. Sawtelle at the Gas Works. There were also many articles of silverware.

CLOGSTON WON

In the Knock-Out Tournament at Highland Club.

GROVER, HIS OPPONENT IN THE FINALS.

The Vespers Win at Pin Polo.

It was a gala day at the Highland club yesterday afternoon. A series of contests between members of the Highland, Vesper, and Bankers' clubs proved an exciting feature. In the knock-out bowling tournament, sixteen pairs rolled and after four series, the finals were rolled by Clogston and Grover with the following result:

Clogston	193	160	353
Grover	180	167	347

The final match was concluded at 10.30 o'clock, after which Charles R. Goddard presented the prizes as follows:

First prize—Dress suit case, Clogston of the Bankers, knocker-out of them all.

Second prize—Fishing rod, Grover of Vespers, the runner-up.

Third prize—Silver stein, J. K. Whittier of the Vespers, highest two-string total—410.

Fourth prize— Gilt framed picture, Hartwell, Highlands, defeated bowler making highest two-string total in the first round—358.

Fifth prize—A Percub pocket knife, Dickerman, Highlands, highest single string—222.

At 6 o'clock there was an hour for luncheon, the D. L. Page company catering.

PIN POLO.

Begining at 9.30 o'clock last night, after the "knock-out" bowling tournament at the Highland club house was nearing its end, the pin polo teams of the Vespers and Highlands played a match of two 20-minute halves.

The result stood 40 to 28 at the close in favor of the Vespers.

The make-up of the teams was as follows:

Vespers—F. S. Bean, James Thorpe, A. G. Swapp and A. G. Stiles.

Highlands—G H. Runels, F. O. Davis, F W. Lazell and M. T. Pierce.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 10c, 25c. If C C C fail, druggists refund money.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

REV. FR. JOYCE

Entertained the Immaculate Conception Choir

AT THE COLONIAL FESTIVAL LAST NIGHT.

Mayor Bennett and A. C. Thompson Present.

The Colonial Festival closed last night with an attendance that crowded the various rooms and halls in the Y. M.C.I. building.

Rev. Fr. Joyce had as his guests at supper during the evening, the members of the Immaculate Conception church choir. Mayor Bennett also came with Rev. Fr. Joyce, and was heartily welcomed. A. C. Thompson, who has always been a great friend to the hospital, had a party of friends at supper.

The choir sang patriotic airs, and then there was a brief and excellent program arranged by Miss Emma E. Cooke. The Amphion quartette—Messr. Osmond Long and H. Stocks, tenors, and Bert. Preston and Alex. Kerr, basses, sang "The Boston Tea Party," and "Fishing on Sunday," and made a great hit. Miss Blanche Dextra's dance was exceedingly graceful and was well received. There was a capital whistling solo by William Mulcahy. Songs were well given by Ethel Wilson and Helen Clark; and recitations by Blanche Marshall and Mamie Gilligan were creditable to the young readers and pleasing to their auditors.

Many gathered in the hall downstairs and had the pleasure of hearing Fr. Joyce sing, "The Minstrel Boy,". Whist was played. At the first seance, Mrs. Duval and Miss Hogan took the first prizes, while Mrs. A. J. Dunne and Miss Lizzie Lawler the second. At the afternoon sitting, Miss Duval and Miss Doherty won the first prizes and Miss O'Donnell and Miss Jennie Fay the second prizes.

The bowling alleys and pool tables also tendered by the young men of the Institute, were in constant use and yielded quite a neat sum for the general fund.

ESTHER, THE QUEEN.

The Billerica Glee club sang the cantata, "Esther, the Beautiful Queen," before a large audience in the town hall at Billerica Centre. The principal parts were taken by the following:

Ahasuerus, George P. Greenwood; Queen Esther, Mrs. D. Moyer Staley; Haman, D. Moyer Staley; Mordecai, Herbert H. King; Zeresh, Mrs. George P. Greenwood; Mordecai's sister, Miss Bertha Holden; prophetess, Miss Louise Hawes; scribe, Edgar D. Hardy; beggar, Charles Beck; Hegal, Sidney A. Bull; high priest, Nact. H. Hutchins; herald, Charles Beck; Harbonah, Harry K. King; Zeresh's child, Myrtle King; Zeresh's attendants, Lottie Cowdry, Edith Hawes; Persian princess, Myra Bigelow; Median princess, Mabelle Cowdry.

SEIZED WITH CONVULSIONS.

Patrick McShea of Suffolk street was seized with convulsions on Broadway while on his way to work this morning and was taken to St. John's hospital.

THERE ARE OTHERS.

Plenty of Them, but So Different—Lowell Proof is What Lowell People Want.

There are a great many of them.
Every paper has its share.
Statements hard to believe, harder to prove.
Statements from far away places.
What people say in Maine.
Public expression from California.
Ofttimes good endorsement there.
But of little service here at home.
Lowell people want local proof.
The sayings of neighbors, friends, and citizens.
Home endorsement counts.
It disarms the skeptic, is beyond dispute.
This is the backing that stands behind every box of
Doan's Kidney Pills; here is a case of it.

Mr. Thomas Burke, of 12 Garnet street, endorses Doan's Kidney Pills in this way: "Kidney complaint troubled me for many years," he says. "Long ago, I was compelled to apply for help to a physician, and I was under treatment from no less than five. I tried all kinds of plasters, lotions, and liniments, but none of them gave me more than temporary relief from backache, dizziness, headache, difficulty with the kidney secretions and a constant feeling of lassitude. At last I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Ellingwood & Co.'s, Merrimack and Central streets, and the result was, I had not a symptom of the old trouble. All the pains disappeared; the urinary derangement was entirely corrected. I shall always keep Doan's Kidney Pills by me and will always recommend them as I have already done. I am only too glad to do it."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

Get More and You Get Less

Why is it every sarsaparilla which tries to sell itself, ranges itself against Ayer's as the standard? Why is it that all have to offer extra inducements—bigger bottles, fancy wrappers, cheaper price—anything, everything, but the one inducement of quality? Quality tells.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

has never been equaled by any cheap imitation of it.

"I have sold Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla for more than twenty-five years, and have never heard anything but words of praise from my customers. A preparation must possess great merit to maintain such a reputation. I believe your sarsaparilla to be the best blood purifier. I often hear other manufacturers say that this is "as good as Ayer's." They always set Ayer's up as the standard of excellence." — S. F. Boyce, Duluth, Minn.

A TESTIMONIAL

Presented to A. G. Cumnock Yesterday Afternoon.

BY DEPARTMENT HEADS OF BOOTT MILLS.

Expressions of Their High Esteem.

There was a pleasant gathering in the agents' office in the Boott mills counting room yesterday afternoon.

It was a happy occasion for A. G. Cumnock, who has retired from the agency of the mills and one of surprise also.

He received a message requesting his presence at the counting room at 4 o'clock.

Believing it was a matter of business that called him there, he made haste to obey the request, and upon his arrival found rather an unusual gathering. Seated about were the heads of the departments of the mills who pleasantly greeted Mr. Cumnock when he entered. His previous consultations with the mill overseers had been individually rather than as a body, so that he was taken by surprise upon noting the presence of them all at the same time. Paymaster Marshall was there too, and when Mr. Cumnock had been seated, he addressed him as follows:

"Mr. Dear Mr. Cumnock—Knowing my inability to make a speech, these few of your many friends at the Boott Cotton mills have nevertheless asked me to invite you to meet them here this afternoon and in their behalf extend to you their hearty good wishes, and kindly greetings. After thirty years' consecutive service as agent of the Boott Cotton mills, you have seen fit to resign the position so long held by you, with the idea of enjoying a well-earned rest, a vacation from toil here. But there are others who know a good thing when they see it, and you were not allowed time to get used to your new conditions before you were again called to put on the armor and guide a sister corporation in our city to success. But before leaving these mills, where you have labored for so long a time, it is our wish to convey to you in tangible for insome slight token of our esteem for you—something which, as the years roll on, will bring to you happy reminders of your pleasant associations at these mills. In behalf of these now assembled here, allow me to present you this testimonial which will speak for itself."

The testimonial was grandly engrossed in sheepskin and elegantly mounted in a gold frame. It read as follows:

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 29, 1898.

Mr. Alexander G. Cumnock:

Dear Sir—We, the undersigned, heads of departments of the Boott Cotton mills, desire to express to you the high esteem and sincere good will that has been cultivated by our association with you in your official capacity as agent, and we trust, with the help of Almight God, you may live long to enjoy the fruits of your well earned successful business career.

Signed—E. E. Reed, J. G. Marshall, S. Lawley, F. Scott, W. F. Rice, R. S. Holt, W. Houston, W. Hounsell, E. French, J. M. Butler, J. Kincaid, D. W. Smith, A. E. Johnston, G. H. Clark, F. Allen, R. W. McAllister, G. F. Payne, J. W. Needham, H. Hetau.

Mr. Cumnock was greatly surprised. His response to the hearty wishes was in the form of congratulations to the overseers for their grand service to the mills during his administration. He assured them all that he appreciated their kind sentiments and thanked them kindly for their remembrance.

Call at the The Sun office when you are in want of rent receipts. We have them put up in book form, one hundred receipts to a book at 25 cents each.

First class job printing done at this office.

The Bon Marche

CLOSED!

Our store closed on account of FIRE. We are now awaiting the Insurance adjustment by the underwriters which will occur today. Tomorrow we will open up again at 9.30 o'clock, sharp, when without much ado

A GREAT SAL[illegible]

On all goods damaged by Fire, Smoke and Water, together with a Surplus Stock of Perfect and Seasonable Merchandise. This will [illegible] unprecedented opportunity and should be taken advantage of by all. [illegible] anticipate quite a gathering, therefore, have employed additional help to our already large staff. Thursday, Tomorrow, A. M., at 9.30 o'clock, the Sale will begin.

EVERYBODY COME!

Bon Marche Dry Goods Co.

THE PRICE MAKERS.

ABOUT $1,500,000

Is the Amount Estimated for Annual Appropriations.

A BIG CUT IN THE PAUPER DEPARTMENT.

The City Treasurer Will Get $10,000.

There was another session of the appropriation committee last night, and as a result, the following estimates were agreed upon: $50,000 for the pauper department; $15,000 for the widows' relief; and $35,000 for the outdoor relief; $10,000 for the city treasurer's department. The amount given the pauper department is $10,000 less than the Mayor's estimate, and $28,532.04 below the department's estimate.

The total appropriation of the committee is about a million and a half, and is several hundreds of dollars below that appropriated last year.

Fine job printing done at this office.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Old and Reliable
Cures Colds Quick

For over forty years it has been used and proved to cure the most stubborn lung or bronchial colds. It soothes and heals quickly, preventing serious development. It does not upset the stomach.

MASTA'S PULMONIC BALSAM.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

TO RENT—A Boarding House, 32 rooms at [illegible] Corp. [illegible] has been a boarding house for years and is located near the corporations.

DONOVAN & MANSUR'S, Room 1, Swan Building, 86 Central street, Lowell, Mass. Telephone 400-L.

When baby bathes, Fairy Soap should form the basis of the bath. The most reliable soap you ever put in water.

FAIRY SOAP

is as pure as dew, white as snow, floats like a cork. The soap of the century.

Sold everywhere in 3 sizes, for the toilet, bath and laundry. Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago. St. Louis. New York.

Louis Tanty

formerly Chef of Napoleon III and the Imperial family of Russia, says:

"I will never think of preparing for myself frying fat so long as I will be able to get Cottolene, and I firmly believe that there is no neutral frying material except the most expensive and pure olive oil, equal to Cottolene for frying purposes."

Cottolene

is pure vegetable oil combined with choice beef suet, and is healthful, appetizing, digestible. Endorsed by eminent physicians, and recommended by cooking experts as in every way preferable to lard or animal fat.

The genuine Cottolene is sold everywhere in one to ten pound yellow tins, with our trade-marks—"Cottolene" and steer's head in cotton-plant wreath—on every tin. Not guaranteed if sold in any other way. Made only by

THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago. St. Louis. New York. Montreal.

Cook, Taylor & Co.,

CENTRAL STREET.

Black Dress Goods.

56 inch Black Sicilian Mohair, extra heavy, fine lustre, worth $1.00 a yard, only 59c. a yard.

45 inch Black Brilliantines, very fine, worth 75c. a yard, only 49c. a yard.

46 inch all wool Black Henrietta, German finish, extra heavy, worth 89c. a yard, only 49c. a yard.

42 inch all wool Black Poplin, the most popular fabric this season, a regular $1 quality for only 69c. a yard.

SPECIAL—10 pieces Silk Warp Henriettas, black, very fine, elegant finish, worth $1.50 a yard, examine this bargain at only $1.00 a yard.

Don't forget our Special Sale of Gent's White Shirts, worth 60c., for 25c. each.

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